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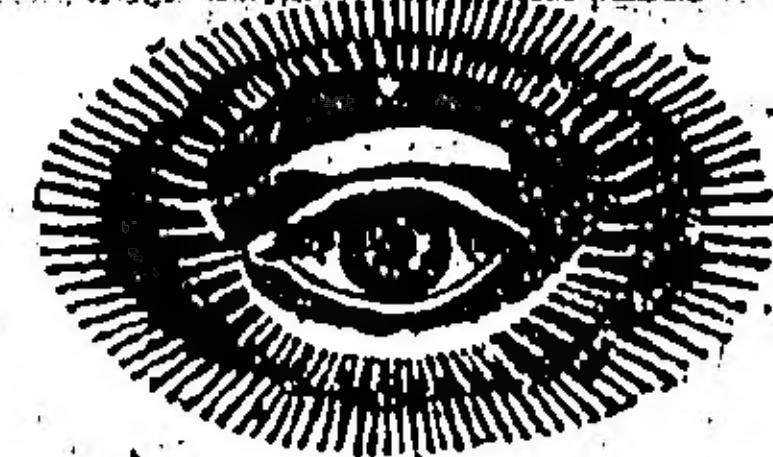
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## ANOTHER BOYCOTT. PICKETS SEIZE GOODS. SEARCHING CHINESE PASSENGERS. FLOUR CARGO RETURNS

ATTITUDE OF AUTHORITIES OBSCURE.

Canton, Yesterday.

A boycott against British goods has been imposed here.

British goods have been seized by uniformed pickets who are patrolling in large numbers that part of the West Bund between the Customs house and the river steambot wharves.

Chinese passengers are being searched by these pickets but no pickets have yet commenced operations on the River.—British Naval Wireless.

## CARGO COOLIES NOT AVAILABLE.

A shipment of over 3,000 bags of Canadian flour was "boycotted" in Canton yesterday morning.

The consignees in Hong Kong are Messrs. Kwong Sing Hang. After the arrival of the s.s. "Taishan" in Canton yesterday morning, it became apparent that cargo coolies would not be available for working the flour.

It was known that they had been asked or warned by the pickets to stay away.

Ultimately the "Taishan" brought the flour back to Hong Kong.

There were several lots of miscellaneous cargo which were also interfered with.

Boycott Society.

On Monday, two cases of British leather were not cleared from the Customs house by the Customs broker who was acting on behalf of the consignee and, it is thought, the broker must have been influenced by the pickets.

These pickets belong to the institution which was formed a little over a year ago when the Canton Government announced its intention of ending the "Canton-Hong Kong" strike and boycott. The name in Chinese can be translated as "The Society for the Severance of Economic Relations with the British."

Official Attitude.

The Canton official attitude towards these pickets is very obscure. Sometimes they have been given full rein and, on other occasions, they have been restrained.

Methods being adopted at present are not unlike those taken by the anti-Japanese pickets.

The element of violence is not so apparent as during the strike, but when a shop fook or passenger is told in on uncertain terms that he must not do certain things, the likelihood is that compliance will follow.

Spasmodic attempts to hold up merchandise, alleged to be of British origin, have been made from time to time with varying success.

How Pickets Work.

This week, the Boycott Society's pickets have been keeping mostly to the bund outside the Customs house, exercising supervision over imports.

Yesterday some of them moved over to the wharves.

Although they have not made their appearance on the River, the pickets do not confine their activities to the Bund. A way, more effective for them, is to tell the coolies which shipments must not be worked from the wharves.

Whether by a coincidence or not, the steamers carrying the "offending" cargo in the last few instances are all British.

WEST RIVER.

Shipowners Asked to Pay the Unions.

British steamers have refrained from calling at Dosing, on the West River (below Wuchow) for some considerable time, owing to the local depot of a Canton Government bureau insisting on arbitrary rights of search.

A mild form of boycott was imposed at Shihing, further down the West River, to counter-

act which the vessels called at a small port nearby.

It is now reported in the vernacular papers that some of the crews of Hong Kong-West River steamers, who are members of West River labour Unions, have suggested to shipowners that a subsidy of \$100 a month be paid by each boat to the unions at Shihing, presumably, to call off the "mild" boycott.

## CANTON NEWS.

NANKING SPECIAL COUNCIL NOT RECOGNISED.

BANDITS' EXCESSES.

Mr. Wang Ching-wei, the Nationalist leader, was publicly welcomed in Canton yesterday, when a suggestion was made that the Chinese crews of Hong Kong-Canton steamboats should take a day off.

There was no delay to shipping, each boat leaving behind a few men to attend the welcome.

The influence of Mr. Wang and his Leftist subordinates is gaining in Canton Kuomintang councils.

Nanking or Hankow?

The city Kuomintang has refused to recognise the Special Council now functioning in Nanking; and even the political department of Canton's war council (of which General Li Chai-sum is chairman) has joined in the denunciation.

On the other hand, military organisations still talk of the expedition against Hankow.

Excesses by bandits are again reported in the Hoifung and Luk-fung districts, situated between Bias Bay and Swatow. Canton has been asked to send a relief expedition.

In the southern peninsula of Kwangtung province, bandits and Communist guerrillas raided the town of Limchow.

Refugees in Hong Kong.

Two or three hundreds of the society people from Tai-pang, which is between Mirs Bay and Bias Bay, have come into Hong Kong to avoid being captured by robbers.

From the country around Ping-hoi (in the East River basin), near Waichow, scores of people have also fled to Hong Kong in the face of disorder.

On Wednesday, the Canton authorities arrested a man at the Taishatau terminus of the Canton-Kowloon Railway (Chinese section). This man had a 2nd class ticket for Hong Kong and he is alleged to a notorious labour Union agitator with a pronounced "Red" taint.

## DEATH PENALTY.

STILL TO STAND IN GERMANY.

Berlin, Yesterday.

The Reichstag Committee, considering the new penal code, rejected by 17 votes to 11, a Social Democratic motion to abolish the death penalty.—Reuter.

## "IRENE" PIRACY

Preliminary Trial of Suspects.

FRESH EVIDENCE TO-DAY.

Narrative of a Chinese Merchant.

More evidence was heard before Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Central Magistracy this morning when the case was resumed against the seven Chinese charged with having been concerned in the piracy of the China Merchants' Steamship Company's s.s. "Irene." Depositions were taken from a Chinese first class passenger and from the Chief Officer of the "Irene," and the hearing will continue this afternoon when three more Chinese passengers will give evidence, to be followed by the Chinese crew of the "Irene." In connection with the examination of the Chinese merchant, the interesting information came out that this man's cabin mate was wounded by the pirates and was still in hospital. The first witness called this morning was Sieu Cheng-chong, a merchant of Amoy, who was travelling home from Shanghai as a first class passenger on the "Irene" at the time of the piracy.

Led by Mr. Whyte-Smith to

## FINE WEATHER.

Moderate To Fresh Monsoon Expected.

The weather report issued by the Royal Observatory this morning stated:

A belt of high pressure extends from N. China to the E. of Japan.

Depressions or typhoons are forming to the S.E. of the Loo-chos and to the E. of the Visayas.

Moderate to fresh monsoon may be expected along the S.E. coast of China and over the China Sea.

Forecast:—N. winds, moderate; fine.

speak about the outbreak of the piracy, this witness said that at about 8.10 a.m., on October 19 he was in his cabin when he heard shots being fired on the ship. Then two armed men came into his cabin, and one of them asked him if he had any bank notes. Fifty silver dollars were stolen from him. The first two pirates took five silver dollars from a small box belonging to him and then went away. Later other pirates came in and they took away the remaining 45 silver dollars. He did not see the pirates take the money, as this time he was turned out of the cabin before they searched it. When he returned to the cabin after the pirates had left, he found that in addition to the 45 silver dollars, a roll of silk satin and a long fur lined coat were missing.

By Mr. Whyte-Smith: The witness recognised Nos. 1, 3, 4, 6 and 7 accused as having been amongst the two lots of men who visited his cabin. In addition to the property mentioned by the witness, the pirates also stole from him three pairs of satin shoes and two dozen pairs of silk socks.

By the Magistrate: About three or four pirates came to his cabin the second time.

Taken back by Mr. Whyte-Smith to the first pair of pirates who visited his cabin, the witness said that the fourth accused was not in Court. All the five men the witness had identified were armed when they visited his cabin. They all had short firearms.

Shooting Threat.

Proceeding, the witness said that he was asked if he had any more money, and when he said "No," he was told that if he did not surrender all he had he would be shot. This was said to him by the pirates on both occasions. On the morning of October 20, the first accused came to his cabin and took him to the stern of the ship where he (accused) threatened him that if he did not give more money he would be taken ashore and held for ransom.

Mr. Whyte-Smith: Eventually you were brought to Hong Kong by the submarine L47—Yes.

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## EMPIRE UNITY.

Dominions Secretary In Canberra.

AN ECONOMIC CHALLENGE.

Warning By Australian Prime Minister.

Rugby, Yesterday. At a Parliamentary dinner at Canberra, the Australian Federal Capital, Mr. S. M. Bruce, the Federal Prime Minister welcomed Mr. L. M. S. Amery, Secretary for the Dominions.

He said that no Empire statesman had done more to bring



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about the recent remarkable achievement of modern Empire Government, or laboured more unceasingly to enforce its realisation.

Mr. Bruce referred to Sir Alfred Mond's speech in London suggesting the Empire as an economic unit, and said that until recently we had applied to the economic relationship of the Empire those haphazard and unsystematic methods which characterised our political relationship before the loss of the American Colonies.

As a result, we were Mistress of the Seas, owning the bulk of the world's shipping and fertile lands in every portion of the globe, and producing man's every necessity; but, owing to the lack of co-operation, we were challenged in the race for economic supremacy.

The British markets within the Empire itself had been permitted to go to foreign rivals. Many golden opportunities had been wasted but the time was not yet too late. Australia wanted to develop the country with British stock, to buy Empire goods, and sell Australian exports in Empire markets.

In replying, Mr. Amery advised all to work together for the advancement of the Empire, cultivating a wider Imperialistic outlook and higher ideals.—British Wireless Service.

## CHEMICAL COMBINE.

NORWEGIAN COMPANY'S FINAL DECISION.

AGREEMENT WITH GERMANS.

Oslo, Yesterday. The Norskhydro Nitrogen Company meeting has agreed to the contracts with the German Dye Trust.—Reuter.

[An Oslo cable of October 10 stated:—Contracts involving an exchange of shares, patents and methods have been drawn up between the German Dye Trust and the great Norwegian Industrial concern, the Norskhydro Nitrogen Company.—The 7 Germans have agreed to contracts of a similar nature, according to the "Shipping Gazette," and the directors of the Norskhydro, but the final decision will be taken on November 3. The Norskhydro are extending their plant and increasing their production.]

## FLYING BOATS.

FOUR ALIGHT IN ALEXANDRETTE HARBOUR.

Berlin, Yesterday. Four Air Force flying boats bound for Australia alighted in the harbour at Alexandretta.—Reuter.

Departure From Abukir. —Rugby, Yesterday. The four Royal Air Force flying boats which are making the journey to Australia left Abukir to-day. They are due at Karachi on the 18th inst.—British Wireless Service.

## TO-DAY'S DOLLAR.

The closing rate of the dollar, on demand, to-day was 2/0 1/16.

## PIRATES AGAIN.

Retaliatory Measure On "Shing On."

FIRING FROM BANKS.

Member of Crew Killed And Two Injured.

There were rumours on the waterfront this morning that the Hong Kong-Wuchow steamer s.s. "Shing On," which has been the subject of pirates' attentions on two recent occasions had again been pirated yesterday morning in the Silam Channel, twelve hours after leaving Hong Kong for Wuchow.

Although it has been ascertained that there was firing on the ship and that one man was killed and two wounded there appears to be no foundation for the report of the alleged piracy.

When the "Shing On" left Hong Kong on Wednesday evening there was on board an entire change of crew and officers. On the previous voyage, pirates had embarked as members of the crew and had endeavoured to pirate the vessel when nearing the Silam Channel where members of the pirate gang put off from the shore in sampans. This attempt was frustrated by the prompt action of the officers and loyal members of the crew.

Same Spot As Before.

It appears that the firing on the present voyage of the "Shing On"

## FIRST QUEEN'S REGIMENT.

Going From China To Malta.

Malta, Yesterday.

It is understood that the First Queen's Royal Regiment is coming to Malta from China in February.—Reuter.

occurred at practically the identical spot as the scene of the last attempt, viz., the point known to the Chinese as Parrot's Beak Passage, just below that part of the river junction leading to Kongmoon. An intensive rifle fire was opened on the ship from the river banks (this was at about 4.30 a.m. yesterday).

Three members of the crew who were on duty in exposed portions of the ship were hit by bullets, one being killed and two injured, according to a cable despatched to the local agents of the "Shing On," the Yuen Yuen Shipping Company, of Wo Hing Street, Hong Kong.

British Gunboat Helps?

Although full details are lacking it is believed that the "Shing On" later met a British gunboat (H.M.S. "Faulkner") to the commander of which a report was made. As the "Shing On" is a Chinese ship, flying the Chinese flag, and the British gunboat was not implicated, nothing further could be done, but the two wounded men were attended to by a medical officer from the gunboat, according to information received.

The firing on the "Shing On" was apparently a retaliatory measure for the successful circumvention of the pirates on the last voyage of the "Shing On."

It will be recalled that over a month ago the "Shing On" was pirated and sixty passengers taken as ransom, the comrades jumping overboard to avoid capture, since when nothing has been heard of him.

According to the Vernacular Press, two Chinese gunboats have been patrolling the Parrot's Beak Passage since the last incident in which the "Shing On" was involved but it would not appear that they were near the scene at the time.

## MISTAKEN FOR PIRATES.

Junk's Steersman Wounded by Bullet.

On the arrival of the Hoklo trading junk No. T1585 in harbour yesterday, its steersman was removed to the Government Civil Hospital suffering from a Winchester bullet wound in the left thigh which was stated to have been caused by the master of trading junk No. T1099 who, mistaking the other junk for a pirate craft, fired on her when they passed each other off Tongkiu at 4.30 a.m., on October 2.

## FENGTIEN VICTORY.

Tatung Captured From Shansi.

YANGTZE DEVELOPMENTS.

Tang Seng-chi Uncomfortable In Hankow.

Further Fengtien successes against the opponents of Peking are claimed in overnight despatches.

The capture of Tatung means that the Fengtien army has penetrated into Shansi territory; but Talyuan, the capital, is a long way to the south.

The Christian General's Kuomintang is now at grips with the Shantung army, which has advanced westward into Honan, to prevent an alliance between the Christian General and Shansi.

Nationalist Change.

A change has also to be reported in the Nationalist disposition. Four of the original Nanking "diehard" politicians oppose the calling of the 4th plenary session of the Kuomintang Central Executive Council which is favoured by the majority of Nationalist politicians as the basis of reconciliation between the various factions.

Mr. Wang Ching-wei, the former Hankow leader, intends to call the session at Canton, and it remains to be seen whether he will be supported or thwarted.

War occurrences in the various zones are summarised below: In each case, the faction opposed to the Nanking Nationalists and, therefore, favourable to Peking, is mentioned first.

Fengtien v. Shansi: Northern sector: Fengtien troops have advanced 75 miles into Shansi along the Peking-Suiyuan Railway.

Southern sector: no change. Peking zone: Shansi rover still hold Chochow, in spite of all attempts to dislodge them.

A Peking Claim.

Peking, Yesterday. It is officially announced here that Fengtien troops from Charhar entered Tatung (75 miles inside the Shansi frontier) this morning.—Reuter.

Fengtien v. Honan: Stubborn fighting, with proportionate casualties along the Lung-Hai Railway. The (pro-Fengtien) Shantung troops are still trying to reach Chengchow, a stronghold of the "Christian General."

The Objective.

Peking, Yesterday. Marshal Chang Tsung-chang officially reports further successes against Feng Yu-shiang (the "Christian General").

Shantung forces north of the Yellow River have captured Wei-hwei after defeating Feng Yu-shiang's troops, who are retreating to Sinsiang, while Shantung troops operating in the centre of Honan have captured Suchow, an important point on the Peking-Hankow Railway.

Meanwhile the main Shantung army is still engaged in a desperate battle to the west of Chungchow, the objective being Chengchow, an important junction on the Peking-Hankow and Lung-Hai Railways.—Reuter.

Hankow v. Nanking: Troops still moving on the lower Yangtze against General Tang Seng-chi of Hankow. Nanking units are on the move.

Through internal dissent and the threat of invasion by Nanking army (from below Hankow) and by Yang Sen (from above Hankow), Tang Seng-chi's position is shaky.

Ichang Taken by Yang Sen. Ichang, Yesterday. General Yang Sen's troops have now arrived here from Szechuan, up-river.—British Naval Wireless.

[Note: Ichang is 370 miles above Hankow.]

May March On. Hankow, Yesterday. The second Hunanese Army, having evacuated Ichang (on the Yangtze, in west Hupeh), has gone to Hengchow (in the south of Hunan). Yang Sen's troops entered Ichang yesterday, it is expected that they will continue their advance down-river towards Hankow.—Reuter.

Giving Up, Hankow? Hankow, Yesterday. Reliable information is to the effect that General Tang Seng-chi of Hankow is expected to leave Hankow for

## FIGHT WITH PIRATES.

Junks From Hong Kong Rout Outlaws.

BANDITS VICTIMS.

Garrison Walk Into Robbers' Stronghold.

(From Our Own Correspondent.) Pakkai, Kongmoon, Yesterday. Battle was given by a convoy of Hong Kong cargo craft last week to pirates in the West River delta and the outlaw fleet was badly damaged.

There were two junks in the convoy, towed by two steam-launches. Two fighting junks, armed with obsolete muzzle-loader cannon and rifles acted as escorts.

At Sam-kong-mei, three miles after entering Gaemoon (one of the passages to inland waters), four pirate launches ordered to convoy to swing to.

The junks immediately opened fire to such deadly effect that the pirates had to withdraw with their launches crippled.

That same afternoon, the convoy reached its destination, this being Suncheong, in the Sunning district.

Garrison's Casualties. Heavy casualties were suffered by the Cantonese garrison at Samsha (in the Sanwui district) when the troops lost their way in a robber stronghold. The garrison had marched out to raid the bandits. After floundering about in strange territory they were subjected to a merciless fire. Two field officers were among the killed.

Several detachments are still besieged by the bandits and reinforcements are proceeding to relieve them.

The Canton Government has abolished the office of Defence Commissioner of the five districts and the Commissioner, Lieut.-General Chui King-tong, has been sent by General Li Chai-sum to Japan. Local garrisons will be responsible for work against pirates and bandits.

Major-General Chan Cheung-po is now in command here.

## PIRATE CRAFT?

REPORT FROM TOW BOATS AT KONGMOON.

SURTAX BUREAU OPERATING.

(From Our Own Correspondent.) Pakkai, Kongmoon, Yesterday. Tow-boat communication between this port and Macao is suspended, the craft on the run having been held up owing to regulations of the local Surtax Bureau not being complied with.

Other tow-boats arriving at the Customs house here report sighting a steam-launch, painted white, and suspected to be a piratical craft, cruising off Chu-tau-shan.

Changsha momentarily with 80,000 Hunanese troops, leaving 100,000 others in the vicinity of Hankow and Wuchang bore or less leaderless.—Reuter.

## ON THE RIVER.

Troops Busy at Kiukiang and Chinkiang.

Shanghai, Yesterday. Nationalist troops, whose disposition is not clear at the moment have been showing activity at Kiukiang, where the local commander, General Chu Pei-teh, is trying to decide between neutrality and intervention in the Nationalist war along the Yangtze.

At Chinkiang, pro-Nanking Nationalist troops are also moving about in considerable numbers.

There is no change in the situation at other Yangtze ports.—British Naval Wireless.

Hankow's Plight.

Hankow, Yesterday. With the Labour Unions very active and labour restless as the result of the lack of employment due to strikes and trade depression, the rise in the cost of living through the depreciation of paper money with which Hupeh is flooded, and with thousands of unpaid, undisciplined and leaderless soldiers and no visible authority, the immediate prospects of Hankow are giving cause for apprehension.—Reuter.











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## SHIPPING SECTION.

### SHIP OF DEATH.

JAPANESE FISHERMEN'S SUFFERINGS.

MESSAGE ON WOOD.

Seattle, Yesterday.  
A note scribbled in Japanese on a piece of cedarwood, found aboard the Japanese fishing smack, shows the terrible sufferings of the crew of the vessel.

The note was written on March 3. It states that the boat left Misaki on December 12, 1926. The engine broke down, and the eight bushels of rice aboard were exhausted.

"No ships have passed us, and all hope is gone. Death only is to be awaited." The bodies and bones found account for ten of the crew. It is thought that the remaining three were lost at sea or jumped overboard to end their sufferings.—Reuter's American Service.

### FREIGHT WAR IN AFRICA.

GOVERNMENT THREATEN STRONG ACTION.

Cape Town, Oct. 18.  
An acute stage has been reached in the freight war, which broke out in April, between the Conference lines, of which the Union Castle Mail Steamship Co., Ltd., is the leading member, and the British and Continental-South African line, headed by Sir Robert Thomas, M.P.

This was due to the Union Castle line offering to grant shippers of wool and similar produce a rebate of 15 per cent. on the current rates, provided they exclusively used the Conference steamers.

The wool-buyers met at Port Elizabeth and strongly condemned the Conference lines' tactics.

A repercussion of these events was felt in Roubais, France, where the wool importing interests refused to sign contracts with the Conference lines.

The Union Government have now intimated that the Union Castle line's offer of 15 per cent. discount is a breach of the law and violates the terms of the Government mail contract with the Company, and threaten the possibility of giving a year's notice to terminate the contract, unless the offer is withdrawn. Government threaten also to enforce the existing legislation, enabling a differentiation to be made in harbour charges. It is surmised that the latter would consist of a surcharge equivalent to the discount offered on the shipment concerned.—Reuter.

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TO-DAY'S ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES.

THIS MORNING'S LIST.

Sunning (1,570) British, from Canton, B. & S.—73 passengers, 20 tons general cargo for Hong Kong, 3 tons general (through).

Hang Sang (1,356) British, from Canton, Jardine's—230 tons general cargo for Hong Kong (through).

Yusang (1,122) British, from Swatow, Jardine's—1 passenger, 200 tons general cargo for Hong Kong, 550 tons general (through).

Huichow (1,222) British, from Canton, B. & S.—100 tons general cargo (through).

Ling Nam (3,975) British, from Swatow, Lee Fat & Co.—918 passengers, 210 tons general cargo (through).

Chip Shing (1,199) British, from Canton, Jardine's—160 tons general cargo (through).

Capitaine Laure (6,059) French, from Shanghai, M. M.—2 tons general cargo for Hong Kong, 950 tons general cargo (through).

Corona (1,953) Norwegian, from Canton, Dordal & Co.

Bintang (1,725) Danish, from Bangkok, Swatow, Kwong Guan Seng—6 passengers, 1,483 tons rice for Hong Kong.

Atago Maru (4,516) Japanese, from Manila, N. Y. K.—84 tons general cargo for Hong Kong, 1,026 tons general (through).

Fuk Tai (1,016) Chinese, from Dairen, China Borneo Co.—4 passengers, 100 tons beans for Hong Kong, 1,900 tons beans (through).

Seng Lee (1,260) Chinese, from Canton, Ching Kee S.S. Co.

Shiu Hing (114) Chinese, from Macao—Hong Hing S.S. Co.—40 tons for Hong Kong.

Tak Hing (105) Chinese, from Autau—Fook Hoi Co.—95 passengers, 50 tons general cargo for Hong Kong.

Departures.  
For Macassar—Tjikembang.  
For Chinwanto—Corona, Wing Hong.

For Colombo—Capitaine Laure.  
For Macao—Shiu Hing.  
For K. C. Wan—Taisema.

For Haiphong—Tonkin.  
For Swatow—Yuan Lee, Hydrangea, Van Keutz, Deli Maru.

For Canton—Elger, Yusang.  
For Shanghai—Phemius.  
For Singapore—Sandviken.

For Keelung—Sania Maru.  
For Autau—Tak Hing.  
For Mike—Protoslaus.

Clearances.  
For Newchwang—Kathe.  
For Swatow—Tjilwong.  
For K. C. Wan—Sun Kong.

For Wei Hai Wei—Chip Shing.  
For Hongay—Melko Maru.

Shipping Abstract.

Arrivals Departures Port

British 5 5 24  
Japanese 1 2 6  
Norwegian 1 3 2  
Chinese 4 4 14  
Danish 1 0 1  
Dutch 0 2 5  
French 1 2 1  
American 0 0 1  
Panama 0 0 1  
German 0 0 1  
Portuguese 0 0 3

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### MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS.

The P. & O. s.s. "Lahore" left Shanghai for this port yesterday at 10 a.m. with the Mail, and is due here on November 6 at about 6 p.m.

The M.V. "Formosa" (Swedish East Asiatic Co., Ltd.), left Antwerp on September 30, and is due here on or about November 8.

The s.s. "Porthos" is expected to arrive in Hong Kong on November 9.

The s.s. "Venezia" (D. & Co.) sailed from Colombo on October 26, and is due here on November 10.

The s.s. "Calulu" (D. & Co.) is due to sail from Sydney on November 10, and is expected here on or about December 4.

The B. I. & Apcar Line s.s. "Tahma" left Singapore for this port on November 2 at p.m., and is due here on November 8 at a.m.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Asia" (Capt. A. J. Halley, R.N.R.) (from Manila), is due here at 8 a.m. on November 14, and will berth at Pier No. 5, Kowloon Wharf. She will leave here for Victoria and Vancouver, B.C., via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe and Yokohama at 6 a.m. on November 16.

The M.V. "Remo" (D. & Co.) sailed from Trieste on October 24, and is expected to arrive here on or about December 8.

The s.s. "Wray Castle" (D. & Co.) sailed from New York on October 15, and is expected here on or about December 10.

WARSHIPS IN PORT.

The following warships and auxiliaries were in port this morning—

North Wall Basin, Mooren; South Wall Basin, Somme, Tarantula and Onslaught; East Wall Basin, Subs. L4, L15, and L19; North Arm, H.S. Maine; West Wall Dock, Durban; in Dock, Thracian, Sepoy and L20; Taikeo Dock, Peterel and Torn; Buoy 6, Iregouls; Buoy 8, Ambrose and Subs. L1, L6, L27 and L33; Buoy 10, Stormcloud and Sterling; Buoy 11, Serapis and Sirdar; Buoy 13, Bruce; Buoy 18, Ruthenia; Buoy 20, Francoel and Belgol; Buoy 27, Kharkil.

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### CRUISERS LEAVE.

1ST SQUADRON'S FAREWELL MESSAGE.

HIS EXCELLENCY'S REPLY.

On the occasion of the departure of the 1st Cruiser Squadron from Hong Kong, the following messages were passed between Rear-Admiral Boyle, Commanding, and H.E. the Officer Administering the Government—

To H.E. The Governor, from Rear-Admiral Commanding 1st Cruiser Squadron, dated November 3, 1927:—

On leaving Hong Kong to return to the Mediterranean may I take this opportunity of thanking Your Excellency, your Government and the community of Hong Kong for the kindness and hospitality we have received during our stay in your waters. We wish Hong Kong all prosperity.

To Rear-Admiral Boyle, H.M.S. "Frobisher," from H.E. the O.A.G., dated November 3, 1927:—

On behalf of the Colony of Hong Kong I thank you for your message and for your good wishes. We have much appreciated your stay here and we wish you and your Squadron a safe and pleasant voyage.

### DOLLAR LINE.

CHANGE IN ROUND-THE-WORLD SCHEDULE.

The local office of the Dollar Steamship Line are in receipt of cable advice from their Head Office in San Francisco advising as follows:—

Effective with the sailing of the s.s. "President Hayes" voyage 13, which sails from Hong Kong on November 8, at 8 a.m. and from Marseilles on December 14, all steamers in their round-the-world service will proceed from Marseilles direct to New York, arriving at that port on Tuesday. Steamers will sail from New York for Boston and arrive in Boston on Friday—then return to New York, arriving on Monday and sailing from that port to continue on her voyage around the world on Thursday.

Effective with the "President Polk" voyage 11, all steamers of the round-the-world service will sail from Shanghai, Hong Kong, and Manila two days in advance of the present schedule.

The "President Polk" which is scheduled to sail from Hong Kong on November 22, will sail on November 20. This will permit of a longer stay in Singapore, and will place all steamers on a schedule similar to that of the "President Polk" which when revised reads as follows:—

Arrive Shanghai ... Nov. 15  
Sail Shanghai ... 16  
Arrive Hong Kong Nov. 19  
Sail Hong Kong ... 20  
Arrive Manila ... Nov. 22  
Sail Manila ... 23  
Arrive Singapore ... Nov. 25  
Sail Singapore ... Dec. 1

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AMUR MARU ..... Thursday, 10th November.

RIO DE JANEIRO, SANTOS & BUENOS AIRES—Via Saigon, Singapore, Colombo, Durban & Cape Town.

SANTOS MARU ..... Friday, 2nd December.

BOMBAY—Via Singapore and Colombo.

HONOLULU MARU Calls at Karachi ... Saturday, 18th November.

CELEBES MARU ..... Saturday, 23rd November.

SHINNOH MARU ..... Wednesday, 23rd November.

DURBAN, DELAGOA BAY, BEIRA, DAR-ES-SALAAM, ZANZIBAR AND MOMBASA—Via Singapore and Colombo.

CANADA MARU ..... Thursday, 1st December.

CALCUTTA—Via Singapore, Penang and Rangoon.

TACOMA MARU ..... Friday, 25th November.

VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA & VANCOUVER Via Japan Ports.

PARIS MARU (from Shanghai) ..... Friday, 11th November.

HAIPHONG—Via HOIHOW & PAKHOL.

TAIKWA MARU ..... Tuesday, 8th November, 10 a.m.

MENADO MARU ..... Tuesday, 22nd November, 10 a.m.

NEW YORK—Via Japan ports, San Francisco & Panama.

JAPAN PORTS

ALTAI MARU ..... Saturday, 12th November.

INDUS MARU ..... Wednesday, 16th November.

KEELING Via SWATOW & AMOY.

HOZAN MARU ..... Sunday,



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|-----------|--------|---------------------------|------------------------------|
| LAHORE    | 5,252  | 8th Nov.                  | Marseilles and London        |
| DELTA     | 8,097  | 9th Nov.                  | Straits & Bombay             |
| MACEDONIA | 11,120 | 12th Nov.                 | Marseilles & London          |
| 1928      |        |                           |                              |
| MONGOLIA  | 16,504 | 26th Nov.                 | Marseilles & London          |
| MAINTUA   | 10,946 | 10th Dec.                 | Marseilles and London        |
| KHIVA     | 9,135  | 17th Dec.                 | Straits & Bombay             |
| KASHGAR   | 9,005  | 24th Dec.                 | Marseilles, London & Antwerp |
| 1929      |        |                           |                              |
| MOREA     | 10,955 | 7th Jan.                  | Marseilles & London          |
| KALYAN    | 9,144  | 14th Jan.                 | Straits & Bombay             |
| DEVANHA   | 8,155  | 21st Jan.                 | Marseilles, London & Antwerp |
| MAINTUA   | 10,946 | 4th Feb.                  | Marseilles & London          |
| KHIVA     | 9,114  | 18th Feb.                 | Marseilles, London & Antwerp |
| MACEDONIA | 11,120 | 3rd Mar.                  | Marseilles & London          |
| * KHIVA   | 9,135  | 10th Mar.                 | Marseilles, London & Antwerp |
| KASHMIR   | 8,985  | 17th Mar.                 | Marseilles, London & Antwerp |
| MAINTUA   | 10,946 | 31st Mar.                 | Marseilles & London          |

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## BRITISH INDIA-APCAR SAILINGS.

|         |        |           |                              |
|---------|--------|-----------|------------------------------|
| TALAMBA | 8,018  | 13th Nov. | Singapore, Penang & Calcutta |
| SANTHIA | 7,754  | 16th Nov. | Singapore, Penang & Calcutta |
| TALMA   | 10,000 | 4th Dec.  | Singapore, Penang & Calcutta |

## EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (South)

|            |       |           |                                    |
|------------|-------|-----------|------------------------------------|
| TANDA      | 6,956 | 2nd Dec.  | Manila, Sandakan, Thursday Island, |
| ST. ALBANS | 4,500 | 30th Dec. | Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, &    |
| ARAFURA    | 6,000 | 27th Jan. | Melbourne.                         |

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The New Zealand Shipping Company's steamers for Southampton and London via Panama Canal.

## SAILINGS TO SHANGHAI & JAPAN

|            |        |            |  |
|------------|--------|------------|--|
| TANDA      | 6,956  | 8th Nov.   | Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama           |
| TALMA      | 10,000 | 11th Nov.  | Shanghai, Moji, Kobe, Yokohama & Osaka |
| MAINTUA    | 10,946 | 14th Nov.  | Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama        |
| KHIVA      | 9,135  | 19th Nov.  | Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama        |
| KASHGAR    | 9,005  | 26th Nov.  | Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama        |
| ST. ALBANS | 4,500  | 6th Dec.   | Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama           |
| MOREA      | 10,955 | 8th Dec.   | Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama        |
| KALYAN     | 9,144  | 13th Dec.  | Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama        |
| DEVANHA    | 8,155  | 24th Dec.  | Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama        |
| 1928       |        |            |  |
| MAINTUA    | 10,946 | 7th Jan.   | Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama        |
| KHIVA      | 9,114  | 21st Jan.  | Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama        |
| KASHMIR    | 8,985  | 28th Jan.  | Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama        |
| MACEDONIA  | 11,120 | 4th Feb.   | Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama        |
| KALYAN     | 9,144  | 18th Feb.  | Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama        |
| MAINTUA    | 10,946 | 2nd Mar.   | Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama        |
| MONGOLIA   | 16,504 | 17th Mar.  | Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama        |
| MOREA      | 10,955 | 30th Mar.  | Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama        |
| KASHGAR    | 9,005  | 12th April | Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama        |
| MAINTUA    | 10,946 | 27th April | Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama        |
| DEVANHA    | 8,155  | 11th May   | Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama        |

All dates are approximate and subject to alteration without notice.

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|                           |                |           |
|---------------------------|----------------|-----------|
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| S.S. “PHEMIUS”            | Via Suez Canal | 26th Nov. |
| S.S. “MACAON”             | Via Suez Canal | 16th Dec. |
| S.S. “CITY OF LAHORE”     | Via Suez Canal | 29th Dec. |

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## THE VOLUNTEERS.

INTRODUCTION OF HOSETOPS  
NOTICE.

### MUSKETRY COURSES.

(The following orders have been issued by Lt.-Col. L. G. Bird, Administrative Commandant of the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps.)

#### 1. Lecture.

Lecture by Major F. C. Roberts, V.C., D.S.O., O.B.E., M.C., at Volunteer Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Monday, November 14, 1927. All available members should attend.

#### 2. Musketry.

The Mounted Infantry and Armoured Car Companies will fire Part II at Stonecutters Range on Sunday, November 6.

All those who have not fired Part II must attend on that date. Range Officer: Lieut. J. Norris-Owen.

Launch will leave Murray Pier at 9 a.m. and call at Kowloon Pier at 9.10 a.m.

Dress: Uniform or mufti optional, but rifle, bayonet, pouches, bandoliers and belt must be worn.

Arms will be drawn from Corps Headquarters on Friday, November 4, between 9 a.m. and 12 noon, or 2 and 4 p.m. or 5 and 6 p.m., and on Saturday, November 5, between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m.

#### 3. Artillery Company.

Parade at Headquarters on Thursday, November 10 at 5.25 p.m. for Gun Drill, Laying and Director.

Signal Section as per programme.

#### 4. Engineer Company.

A lecture will be given at Volunteer Headquarters on Wednesday, November 9 at 5.30 p.m. by an Officer of the 40th Co., R.E. Subject: “Engineer Reconnaissance.”

Field and Signal Sections will parade at Headquarters on Monday, November 7 at 5.30 p.m. for “Tests.”

#### Signal Section.

Sunday, November 6. There will be a shoot with the Royal Corps of Signals on the Peak Range at 9 a.m.

Range Officer: 2/Lieut. M. G. Noll.

Thursday, November 10. Parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. for Signal Instruction.

#### 5. Artillery & Engineer Co.

Musketry Part II will be fired on Sunday, November 13, at Stonecutters Range. Range Officer: Lieut. T. Addis Martin.

This is the last opportunity for members of the above Companies who have not fired Part II to attend.

#### 6. Mounted Infantry Co.

Musketry Part II. See Order No. 2.

Parade at Stables at 5.30 p.m. on Tuesday, November 8.

#### 7. Armoured Car Company.

Musketry Part II. See Order No. 2.

Monday, November 7. Armoured Car Crew and A and B Sub-sections parade at Headquarters ready to proceed to Kennedy Road Range at 5.15 p.m. Section N.C.O.s must see that their men parade to time as darkness falls so soon.

Motor Cyclists parade under 2/Lieut. J. E. Hancock for Special Machine Gun Class.

Field Day. Sunday, November 13. All members are asked to keep this date open.

#### 8. Infantry Company.

Friday, November 4 at 5.30 p.m. All N.C.O.s and other ranks as detailed by O.C. Company will parade at Corps Headquarters for a special N.C.O.s. Course of training in Vickers Gun.

No. 1 Platoon. Parade at Corps Headquarters on Tuesday November 8 at 5.30 p.m. for Machine Gun Instruction. Dress: Mufti, rifle and bayonet will not be required.

No. 2 Platoon. Tuesday, November 8. Men detailed parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.15 p.m. for Machine Gun firing at Kennedy Road Range. Dress: Mufti, belt and bayonet.

Remainder parade at 5.30 p.m. at Corps Headquarters for Machine Gun Instruction. Dress: Mufti, belt, rifle and bayonet.

#### 9. No. 4 Platoon.

Thursday, November 10. Parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. for Signal Instruction.

Thursday, November 10 at 5.30 p.m. All Platoons for Vickers Gun Instruction at Platoon Headquarters. Full strength parades from now on are essential to complete programme of work prior to camp.

Church Parade. Annual parade to Union Church will be held on Sunday, November 27, 1927.

#### 11. Portuguese Company.

Parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Friday, November 4 for Lewis Gun Training and Drill. Dress: Mufti, belt, Rifle and bayonet.

#### 12. Reserve Company.

The Machine Gun Class will be held at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. every Wednesday, commencing November 9, 1927. Dress: Mufti.

#### 13. Promotion.

The following extract from the Hong Kong “Government Gazette” No. 47 of October 28, 1927 is published for information:

“His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government has been pleased to appoint Lieutenant Edward Pigott, M.I.E.T., T.D., V.D., to be Captain in the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps, with effect from October 25, 1927.”

#### 14. Reversion.

No. 951 Corp. J. E. Ward, No. 9 Platoon reverts to the ranks at his own request, as from October 28, 1927.

#### 15. Holiday.

Friday, November 11, being Armistice Day will be observed as a holiday, no parades will be held on that date, expect the men of the Scottish Company selected for Armistice Day Parade, under orders of O.C. Scottish Company.

#### 16. Leave.

The following are granted leave of absence from the Corps:—  
No. 423 S/Sgt. G. T. Padgett, Engineer Co. from November 1, 1927 to November 30, 1927.  
No. 915 Spr. C. E. Tavares, Engineer Co. from Oct. 18, 1927 to April 17, 1928.

#### 17. Struck Off the Strength.

Having purchased discharge—  
No. 928 Spr. G. Van Bergen, Engineer Co., as from Oct. 22, 1927.  
On Medical Grounds—No. 853 Spr. G. B. Mooney, Engineer Co., as from Oct. 28, 1927; No. 977 Pte. D. P. Pau, No. 4 Platoon as from Oct. 31, 1927.

18. A Correspondence Box has been placed in the Orderly Room into which all correspondence must be placed when no members of the Orderly Room Staff is present to receive same.

19. The Commandant notices that many men are still without Hosetops and directs that Company and Platoon Commanders give this matter their immediate attention.

The attention to all C.Q.M.S. is drawn to Corps Order No. 295 dated Sept. 23, 1927.

R. A. WOLFE MURRAY, MAJOR, Adjutant, H.K.V.D. Corps.

### NOTICES.

1. No. 2 Platoon Rifle Club.—The next monthly spoon shoot will be held at Peak Range on Sunday, November 13 at 9.30 a.m. A competition with the Portuguese Company Rifle Club will also be held at the same time.

Scottish Company.—Real Club. Eighth practice will take place at Helena May Institute at 5.30 p.m. on Wednesday, November 9, 1927.

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|---------------------------------------|-------------|------------------------------|
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| Tian via Swatow & Shanghai            | YATHEUNG    | Tues., 8th Nov., at 7 a.m.   |
| Tian via Swatow & Shanghai            | FOOSHING    | Sun., 13th Nov., at 7 a.m.   |
| Tian via Swatow & Shanghai            | WAISHING    | Wed., 16th Nov., at 7 a.m.   |
| Shanghai, Antung & Tientsin           | YUSANG      | Sun., 6th Nov., at 7 a.m.    |
| Tientsin via Weihaiwei                | CHIPSING    | Fri., 4th Nov., at 5 p.m.    |
| Tientsin via Weihaiwei                | CHEONGSHING | Satur., 12th Nov., at 5 p.m. |
| Osaka via Amoy, Shanghai, Woll & Kobe | LAISANG     | Tues., 22nd Nov., at 7 a.m.  |
| Canton                                | YUSANG      | Thurs., 3rd Nov., midnight   |
| Straits & Calcutta                    | KUMSANG     | Tues., 8th Nov., at 3 p.m.   |
| Straits & Calcutta                    | KUTSANG     | Thurs., 1st Dec., at 3 p.m.  |
| Straits & Calcutta                    | NAMSANG     | Fri., 18th Nov., at 3 p.m.   |
| Sandakan                              | SUISANG     | Mon., 7th Nov., at 3 p.m.    |
| Sandakan                              | HINSANG     | Mon., 21st Nov., at 3 p.m.   |
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### ANOTHER BOYCOTT.

At first sight the news from Canton of another anti-British boycott having commenced, with uniformed pickets banning British goods and searching Chinese passengers from British ships, may appear ominous and give the pessimists ground for imagining that this Colony is to have a recurrence of all the vexatious troubles that beset it in 1925 and 1926. The news certainly makes disagreeable reading, coming as it does so soon after the announcement in the "China Mail" yesterday that a final scheme had been submitted to the Provincial Government of Kwangtung for the disbandment of the Hong Kong strikers. It is true that of late several hints have appeared in the vernacular newspapers regarding the threatened activities of those behind the anti-British and anti-Japanese boycott movement; but until the British Naval wireless message to-day, these reports have been too vague to be seriously considered. Whilst the uniformed pickets are operating on the West Bund we are told that they have not yet commenced operations on the river itself. If it is possible to take a light view of the position, this fact is all to the good. It may give the Canton authorities time to move in the matter before the anti-British boycott assumes any serious dimensions.

Although information from other sources, published elsewhere in our columns to-day, asserts that the attitude of the Canton Government is obscure, we shall be unpleasantly surprised if it remains so very long. The reasons of the last boycott are as fresh in the memory of the

Canton Government as they are in that of the community of this Colony. It cannot too often be reiterated that a boycott is a two-edged weapon—a weapon, too, that Canton would much prefer to be without at the present juncture of affairs regarding military and political developments. General Lai Chai-sum is at present surrounded by a multitude of difficulties, and it would be hard to understand his acquiescing in one more of an equally serious nature. This in itself must give room for confidence in General Lai Chai-sum exercising the power that he undoubtedly possesses and sending the uniformed pickets about their business. Moreover, it must not be forgotten that the finances of Canton are such that it can ill afford to have a fresh dislocation of trade with Hong Kong. The upkeep of many thousand strikers and boycotters since the middle of 1925 has already made a large hole in the Canton Treasury, which has also had to bear a great proportion of the cost of the Northern expedition. In intervening to stop the anti-British boycott, General Lai Chai-sum has all the possible arguments in his favour in the interests of Canton itself.

### POPPY DAY.

MESSAGE FROM HONG KONG GOVERNMENT.

CONFIDENCE IN APPEAL.

In view of the British regions appeal for funds for disabled ex-Servicemen on Armistice Day, the following message has been from His Excellency the Hon. Mr. W. T. Southern:—  
"His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government wishes the Poppy Day Sub-Committee every success in their efforts on Armistice Day. He is confident that the public will not fail materially to respond to those emotions which the return of each 11th of November raises afresh, and will give their generous support to so excellent a cause."

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### NAVAL WEDDING.

L5 COMMANDER MARRIED  
TO-DAY.

CATHEDRAL CEREMONY.

St. John's Cathedral was the scene of a pretty wedding this morning, the parties being Miss Marjorie Brough Warren, daughter of Mr. James Brough Warren and Mrs. Warren; and Lieut. Commander Conway B. Allen, R.N., son of the late Mr. Samuel Allen LL.D., D.L., and Mrs. Allen.

The bridegroom commands H.M.S. L5, at present attached to the China Squadron.

The Rev. H. Copley Moyle officiated.

Many friends were present at the ceremony, including a number of the bridegroom's Naval colleagues.

The ceremony was of a quiet and simple nature, the services of bridesmaids and pages being dispensed with.

The bride, who was given away by Commander Allan Poland, D.S.O., of the Royal Navy, was attired in a white georgette dress with diamanté and silver lace train.

Lieut. Commander T. M. Taylor, R.N., was best man.

A reception on board H.M.S. "Ambrose" followed the ceremony.

### RABIES MEASURES.

FIRST COUNCIL READING OF  
NEW BILL.

WATCHMEN'S BILL OMITTED.

The necessity for facilitating anti-rabies measures in Hong Kong was stressed by the Attorney-General, Sir Joseph Kemp, K.C., at the Legislative Council meeting yesterday, in moving the first reading of a Bill entitled an Ordinance to make provision for regulating the keeping of dogs and for the prevention of the importation and spread of rabies.

The object of the Bill, he stated, was to strengthen the hands of the authorities in their campaign against the very dangerous disease of rabies, dangerous alike to dogs and men. There was only one substantial change in the law and that was effected by the alteration of the definition of the term "dog." The present Ordinance defined "dog" in such a way as to exclude puppies under the age of three months. This was all right for licensing purposes and purposes of general control, but it was not enough for the purposes of the campaign against rabies. Under the present Bill the term "dog" would include the animal of any age.

The rest of the Bill, stated the Attorney-General, merely gave power to make regulations. It incorporated from the Summary Offences Ordinance of 1846 the section relating to dogs which was very properly placed in a Dogs Ordinance. It increased the penalty for contravention of the Ordinance from \$100, which was the present nominal maximum, to \$250.

A copy of the regulations proposed to be made under the Bill had been published, said Sir Joseph. Whilst tightening up the present regulations they did not materially differ from them but it was provided that owners of dogs suspected of having rabies or of having been in contact with cases of rabies must report that fact without delay to the nearest Police station.

The first reading of the Bill was passed.

Watchmen's Registration. Regarding the Bill entitled an Ordinance to provide for the registration and regulation of watchmen, in respect of which Mr. F. C. Jenkin, barrister, had made application to address the Council on behalf of the watchmen, the Attorney-General (when the motion for its second reading came before the Council) asked for its omission from the orders of the day since die.

This course was agreed on. The following Bills passed their second and third readings and became law:—  
An Ordinance to provide for the incorporation of the Procurator in Hong Kong of the English Assistant of the Jesuit Order.

An Ordinance to amend the General Loan and Inscribed Stock Ordinance, 1913.

An Ordinance to amend the Medical Registration Ordinance, 1884.

### ANOTHER OUTRAGE.

PEAK LADY ATTACKED BY  
CHINESE.

Mrs. T. G. Weall, of No. 301 The Peak, has reported to the police that about 6.45 p.m. yesterday, while she was walking on the Peak, opposite the Peak Club, she was accosted by two Chinese, one of whom threw a handful of sand in her face whilst the other tripped her and threw her on the ground. The men attempted to snatch Mrs. Weall's handbag, but she held on to it and called out for help, whereupon assailants left her and ran away down Flatiron Road. Nothing was stolen from the plucky lady.

### M.C.L. CONCERT.

A TREAT AT GOVERNMENT  
HOUSE.

SOME CLEVER TALENT.

Yesterday afternoon the ball room at Government House was filled to overflowing when an entertainment in aid of the Hong Kong Women's Guild and Ministering Children's League was given. Mrs. R. Pestonji opened the concert with a pianoforte solo, which was beautifully played. Mr. H. E. Gardner gave two solos in his fine tenor voice. Mrs. M. Minney was well encored for her soprano solo by "Pierette." The baritone solos by Surg-Lieut. W. H. Bradfield, R.N., were excellent. Mr. G. W. C. Burnett gave "The Charge of the Light Brigade" in six different spasms. The second half of the programme was devoted to Miss O'Keefe's pupils: Lorna Tolan, in full Highland dress gave a sword dance in a graceful manner. She was assisted by Piper Slatery, of the K.O.S.B., as only he knows how to do it. The two little jazziers, Dorothy Tolan and Betty Pestonji, were excellent. Their dresses, which were well jazzed, were designed by Mrs. Pestonji. Marian Bryson in her Irish jig, made the audience want to leave their seats and join in the fun. Billy and Nellie Field, in a Pas du Deux were true to their part. Their get-up was excellent.

The hit of the afternoon was by two tiny tots who gave the Gavotte, dressed in true style, with powdered hair and patches. Their faces were a dream and, had they not moved, they would have passed for waxwork figures. They were very dainty in their movements and the little touch of shyness added to their charms. The parts were taken by Annie Cooke and Doreen Hynes. They deserved the bouquets presented to them. Mrs. Cooke is greatly to be complimented on their make up.

Marjory Simpson, led in the Hornpipe with Billy Mayes and Ethel Minney; they were three-jolly Jack Tars and gave a true naval touch. The Quartette by the elder girls was very pretty and dainty. Those taking part were Betty Pestonji, Betty Spalding, Norma May, and Dorothy Tolan. Chopin's Waltz brought a very fine programme to an end. This was given by Marian Bryson, Bella Pestonji, and Lorna Tolan. It was gracefully done.

Miss Daisy O'Keefe is to be heartily congratulated on the display given by her pupils.

The accompanists were Mrs. J. R. Sulzer, Miss Jefford, and Mr. Dick J. Almas. At the close of the entertainment Mrs. Southern expressed a few words of thanks to the audience, the artists, and all those who had helped to make the entertainment such a success.

### ARMED ROBBERS.

NIGHT RAID ON A CHINESE  
CONFECTIONERY.

TILL RIFLED.

Three robbers, one armed with a knife, raided the Yee Lok Yuen confectionery in Fung Fai Terrace, Village Road, Woonanichong at 11.15 last night and after binding and blinding a Chinese woman, who was the only person in the shop at the time, they broke open the till and emptied it of its contents, amounting to \$33.

The men left after staying ten minutes in the shop.

When the woman had succeeded in freeing herself, she tried to communicate with the Police by telephone but discovered that the wire had been severed by the robbers.

### FALL FROM A ROOF.

CHINESE BOY SUCCUMB TO  
INJURIES.

As the result of a fall from the roof No. 207 Des Voeux Road West whilst at play at 4 p.m. yesterday, a 14-year-old Chinese boy was severely injured, sustaining a fractured hip.

He was immediately removed to the Government Civil Hospital, but died soon after admission.

### THE KNIFE AGAIN!

In the course of a fight between two coolies in the No. 21 Godown at Kowloon yesterday, one man stabbed the other in the abdomen, causing a "ugly" wound which necessitated his removal to the Kowloon Hospital. The alleged assailant has been arrested by the Police.

The Pan-Asiatic Conference, scheduled to be held in Shanghai this month is a natural development of present conditions between the East and the West, according to Rajah Mahendra Pratap, an Indian exile, who is now in Tokyo en route to China to attend the conference.

### MR. F. LAMMERT.

FUNERAL AT HAPPY VALLEY  
YESTERDAY.

FRIENDS' LAST TRIBUTE.

The funeral of Mr. Frank Lammer, whose death at the Government Civil Hospital on Wednesday evening was reported yesterday, took place at the Protestant Cemetery yesterday, the Rev. H. Copley Moyle officiating.

Among those present at the graveside were Messrs. G. P. L. E. and H. A. Lammer (brothers), G. P. and A. Lammer (nephews), Messrs. H. Seth, C. Bond, T. Hynes, A. E. McKirdy, L. E. Haynes, J. Williams, Kelly Sayce, G. Ross, R. C. W. Mitchell, J. W. J. Carroll, Silva Netto, Gregory, Gould, Wiltshire, Stainfield and Inspector Wilson.

There were many floral tributes, including the following:—  
Lionel and Florence, Bertie, Florence and Alfred, Elsie, Ernie, Isa and Marjory, Edwin, Geoffrey and Ellen, Charlie, Alice, Oswald, Phroso, Frank and Gerald, R. F. Lammer.

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### MR. HILLYER'S LOSS.

The infant son of Mr. W. R. Hillyer, of the Harbour Office, was laid to rest at Happy Valley yesterday evening. The Rev. G. T. Waldegrave officiating at the graveside service. The principal mourners were Mr. Hillyer (father) and Mr. J. Taylor (grandfather). Others present included Messrs. W. McKay, C. H. Thompson, Elvidge and Andrews (from the Harbour Office staff), Inspectors Shannon, Lanigan and Wilson, Messrs. H. Seth, C. Bond and T. Hynes.

Among the wreaths sent were the following:—Daddy, Grandfather and Granny, Sid and Phil, Grandpa in England, Uncles and Aunts in England, Godmother in England, Miriam and Nellie, Little George, all friends in England, Nurse James, Mavis and Kathleen, Gladys and George, Auntie Lou, Auntie Edie, Margaret, Phyllis, Iris, and Reg and family, Fatsy, Maggie and Arthur, Marjorie and Dick Astor, Mr. and Mrs. Wyatt, Mr. and Mrs. Cole and family, Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Long, Mr. and Mrs. C. Bond, Mr. and Mrs. Elvidge, Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Agan, Mr. and Mrs. Spary, Mr. and Mrs. R. Wood, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. J. Martin, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Capell, Mr. and Mrs. E. N. Blackmore, Mr. and Mrs. Simon Tse-yan, Mr. and Mrs. S. Kelly, Mr. and Mrs. W. Fincher, Mr. and Mrs. W. Kent, Mr. and Mrs. P. Lanigan, Inspector and Mrs. Wilson, Capt. and Mrs. J. Thompson, Capt. and Mrs. Scott, Capt. and Mrs. W. C. Pasmore, Mr. and Mrs. V. J. Glendinning, Mr. and Mrs. O. Lanigan, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Reatic, Mr. and Mrs. Headings, Mrs. F. Angus and family, Mrs. Elsworth and family, Miss Gilbert and girls, Mrs. C. J. Thompson, Miss E. Heang, Miss Lee, Mrs. W. Cock, Mr. P. T. and Miss Farrell, Mrs. E. Mackay and family, Mrs. and Miss Harding, Douglas and Allison McKay, and Amah, Messrs. W. R. Andrews, Nunn, E. F. Thompson, E. F. Brown, W. Hirst, G. Grimbly, J. Litton.

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FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 1927.

## HOTEL LICENCES.

COMPLAINT BY THE KING EDWARD HOTEL.

## THE "COAL OLE."

A complaint by Mr. J. Wittchell licensee of the King Edward Hotel, regarding the Savoy Hotel figured in the business of the Licensing Board which sat in the Council Chamber at noon to-day.

Mr. C. G. Alabaster, K.C., presiding, supported by the Hon. Mr. J. Owen Hughes, Mr. H. B. L. Dowbiggin, Mr. T. H. King, D.C.L., representing Police interests, Mr. G. Grimble, Mr. C. D. Melbourne, and Major C. Willson, Secretary to the Board.

The Chairman said that there were no objections to the renewal of the various licences. The Tunkinoya and Harunoya Hotels, Praya East, had withdrawn their applications owing to the premises having been sold, and there was a complaint by the licensee of the King Edward Hotel regarding the Savoy Hotel.

The Chairman asked Mr. Wittchell to be called and said he understood Mr. Wittchell had a complaint to make.

Mr. Wittchell said his complaint referred to the proximity of the Hotel Savoy's "Coal Ole" to the entrance of the King Edward Hotel. When there was trouble there was a danger of the overflow coming into the King Edward Hotel and creating trouble inside. He suggested that the entrance might be changed to the other side of the block, e.g., in Chater Road.

The Chairman: You get the benefit of Des Vaux Road and you want that of Ice House Street as well?

Mr. Wittchell stated that the Ice House Street entrance was only for sailors.

The Chairman said he understood that Mr. Wittchell also wished to say something about the basement, with a view to using it for a similar purpose to that to which the "Coal Ole" had been put. Any such scheme would have to pass the Sanitary Department.

Mr. Wittchell said he had made such application and had been informed that the basement was not sanitary enough. Since then the Savoy Hotel had had an application granted.

The Chairman was understood to remark that this was after certain alterations had been done.

Mr. Wittchell said that the height of the two basements was the same and he could see no objection to the King Edward Hotel basement being opened for a similar purpose to that of the "Coal Ole."

The Chairman indicated that the Sanitary Board would have to pass any such scheme before it came before the Board for consideration.

Mr. Wittchell then withdrew.

Licences Granted.

Licences were granted as follows: Publican's Licence—Repulse Bay (P. R. Chicharg); Hong Kong Hotel (P. I. Newman); King Edward Hotel (J. H. Wittchell); Palace Hotel (I. L. Goldenberg); Kowloon Hotel (H. J. H. White). Publican's Licence Without Bar:—Cafe Regent (S. E. Green); Lane, Crawford's Restaurant (D. M. Goodall) and Hotel Savoy (A. L. Hing Kee).

Hotel Keeper's Adjunct Licences.—Peak Hotel (Miss H. A. Harry); Station Hotel (Mrs. A. B. Sanderson Smith); Tokyo Hotel (Mrs. Y. Kobayashi); Chitose Hotel (I. Seki); Shokudoraku Hotel (I. Nomura); Seuhiro Hotel (T. Miyajima); Metropole Hotel (P. L. Hing Kee); Chitose Kwan Hotel (J. Morita); Empress Hotel (Ma Tau-nam and Fung Pak-lau); Tung Shan Hotel (Lo Wai-san and Chau Sing-chi); Hotel Asia (Wong Kong-sau and Tsoi Kam-hang).

Restaurant Keeper's Licences.—Yamatawa Hotel (Mrs. J. Yamakawa); Cafe Alexandra (K. S. Huise); South China Restaurant (Huan Sik-ye); Queen's Cafeteria (Yu Man-cho); Ka Ping (Chan Wing); Wanchai Restaurant (Mrs. K. Suva); Bombay Cafe (Khan Sahib Malli Khan).

## WOMEN AT CAMBRIDGE.

Cambridge, Sept. 26.

Cambridge does its spring cleaning in the autumn, and in every college kitchen and dining-hall to-day floors and pictures, as well as silver and plate, are being polished by dozens of college servants in preparation for the new year, which begins officially on Saturday.

It is practically certain that the University roll will surpass all previous records. Every college seems to have more freshmen than usual. Gonville and Caius College, which may be taken as an example, has the great proportion of 120 freshmen in a total roll of 375. The problem of giving each undergraduate at least one year in rooms within the colleges is becoming more difficult.

The women's colleges are more inadequate than ever to cope with the flood of women who are under-estimated by the fact that Cambridge has expressed its desire to continue the one university where men and things masculine shall pre-

## "IRENE" PIRACY

(Continued from page 1.)

Asked to speak about the identification of the accused, witness said that he attended a parade at Central Station on October 23 when out of 30 similarly dressed men he picked out Nos. 1, 3, 4, 6 and 7 accused as pirates.

The Magistrate remarked to Mr. Whyte-Smith that the witness had not given particulars about all the accused whom he had identified.

Replying to Mr. Whyte-Smith the witness said that the third accused was amongst the pirates who were gathered at the stern of the ship when he was taken there by No. 1. Third accused had a gun in his hand then, and the witness had also seen him armed and walking in company of Nos. 6 and 7 to and fro outside the witness's cabin many times. This man (No. 3) also took part in the conversation which witness had with No. 1 at the stern of the ship when they threatened to hold him for ransom.

By the Magistrate: He also recognised Nos. 3 and 7 accused as being amongst the second lot of pirates who visited his cabin at the outbreak of the piracy on the morning of October 19.

Wounded Man in Hospital. By Mr. d'Almada, jun.: He shared his cabin with a man named Tse. The latter was in the cabin with him when the first two pirates came in.

By Mr. Whyte-Smith: He had heard that this man Tse had been shot by the pirates.

By the Magistrate: He had not seen Tse since leaving the "Irene." Mr. Lindsay: You believe that he is dead?—No 1 heard that he is in hospital here in Hong Kong.

Mr. Whyte-Smith informed the Magistrate that that was so. He had brought this out as he thought that Mr. d'Almada might suggest calling this man Tse as a witness. Mr. Whyte-Smith added that this man was not present at the identification parades.

The first three accused had no questions to ask witness.

No. 6 told the Magistrate that at the identification parade the witness did not pick them out as a pirate. Magistrate: That is not it; he did point you out.

Mr. Whyte-Smith confirmed this. When the accused's question was put to the witness, he said he believed he had picked No. 6 out.

Mr. Lindsay: Surely, you must be certain of the man you picked out?—It is that man.

Mr. Whyte-Smith said that it was on police record that No. 6 was picked out by this witness.

Magistrate (to No. 6): He said he did pick you out, and it is on police record that he did.

The seventh accused asked what he had stolen from the witness, and received the reply that No. 7 had taken because he (witness) was chased out of the cabin whilst No. 7 searched it.

Chief Officer and Evidence. The next witness was Mr. George Innes, Chief Officer of the "Irene," who said that he had been on the ship for about seven months, and five years on the China coast.

At about 8.15 a.m., on October 19 he was on the bridge when the piracy broke out. The ship was then between 15 and 20 miles past the Ockseu Light and approximately 20 miles from the mainland.

Suddenly he heard firing below, and then two or three men came on the bridge. One of them (not in Court) had a large knife. He did not see any firearms on the men. They told him to put his hands up, and "Sure, I put them up all right!" Then he was told to take the ship to Swatow.

After a while two of the pirates took him to his cabin, where he handed over to them his revolver and 50 rounds of ammunition. He then returned to the bridge and was later joined by Capt. Hansen, who altered the ship's course from Swatow in accordance with instructions from the pirates.

Replying to Mr. Whyte-Smith, witness said that at Bias Bay the "Irene" was fired upon. At about 8.15 p.m., on October 20, he was then in his cabin, having left the bridge at 8 p.m. He heard four shots altogether. The third shell set fire to the ship after it had burst the steam pipe. After the ship went on fire, he went on deck where he joined the Chief Engineer and until the "L4" came alongside and called out: "Jump." He then slid down a rope into the water and swam to the submarine.

Chief Officer's Identification. On October 22 he attended an identification parade at Central Station when out of 30 men he picked out the first five accused. The two men who took the witness to his cabin to search it were not amongst them. Those who rushed the bridge were also not in Court. He saw guns in the hands of Nos. 1 and 4 accused. There was at least one pirate on guard on the

## LEAGUE'S WORK.

PRIME MINISTER AND DISARMAMENT.

## A POSSIBLE GREAT STEP.

Edinburgh, Yesterday. Mr. Stanley Baldwin, in a speech here, referring to the League of Nations and the divergence of view regarding the 1924 Protocol, hoped that the frank exchange of views last September had made all realise that the League, whilst maintaining its ideals, must keep its immediate activities within the limits of what was possible at the present moment.

He was of opinion that if the first Disarmament Conference would end in the limitation of armaments, that in itself would be a great step.—Reuter.

## EXONERATED.

SEVENOAKS TRAIN DISASTER.

## JURY'S FINDING.

London, Yesterday. At the inquest on the Sevenoaks railway disaster a verdict was returned of accidental death, the jury adding a rider in which it expressed the opinion that the causes of the derailment had not been proved by evidence. They did not consider the class of engine known as the river type suitable for fast traffic, owing to its rolling on this track, and exonerated the driver and fireman from all blame.—Reuter.

## SIR J. MAFFERY.

RETURNING TO THE SOUDAN.

Rugby, Yesterday. Sir John Maffery, Governor-General of the Soudan, left London to-day on his return to Khartoum.—British Wireless Service.

## A TANGLE.

BOY CLAIMED BY TWO PEOPLE.

A small Chinese boy has the unusual experience of being claimed simultaneously by a man and a woman. The former says that the boy was his son, while the woman, an elderly dame, claims that the boy is her nephew who was missing from home some time ago, and she suspects the man of being a kidnapper. The dispute between the man and woman started when the woman met the man walking in Des Vaux Road West with the boy in his company. According to her, she immediately recognised the lad as her missing nephew and claimed him on the spot. The man protested, and eventually the parties went to No. 7 Police Station and there appealed to the inspector in charge to straighten out the tangle. The woman claimed to the Police that at the time of her nephew's disappearance, she had made a report to the Shamshui Police Station. The Police are now engaged in solving the puzzle of the lad's identity.

bridge all the time they had control of the ship, and on different occasions the witness saw Nos. 1, 2 and 3 accused there. They carried arms all the time, but did not point them at him except on one or two occasions.

By the Magistrate: He did not see arms on the second and third accused.

By Mr. Whyte-Smith: He saw No. 5 accused running around on the lower bridge. He (witness) was always under the control of the pirates from the first. He did not know if No. 5 was one of the pirates or not but all the same No. 5 was very friendly with them.

By the Magistrate: He did not talk with any of the pirates, but one of them brought him two tins of cigarettes.

The third accused asked witness: When the man-of-war passed the "Irene" at 5 p.m., on the 20th who told you to dip the flag?—The Captain told me to do so, but before I could get to the stern it was done by the quartermaster without order.

Told by the Magistrate that the question had no bearing on the case, No. 3 said that he just wanted to ask the question. He added in a low tone that he wanted to show that the flag was dipped by the pirates' people themselves.

Mr. d'Almada, jun.: Is it your practice to throw up your hands at the slightest request?

Mr. Innes: No, but I had to do so this time to come out with my life.

You were frightened at the time?—I admit that.

All the other officers were also scared I suppose?—Yes, no one was braver than the others.

Mr. Lindsay: You continued to be scared all the time?—Yes, what could we do? We had our male in our cabin—at least I did!

## TANGIER DISPUTE.

FRANCE ON ITALY'S CLAIMS.

## PRESS STATEMENT.

Paris, Yesterday.

Referring to the statement of Sig. Tittoni the "Petit Parisien" says it is stated at the Quai d'Orsay that the agreement between M. Briand and Sig. Tittoni last year referred only to the question of capitulations in the French zone and did not involve a modification of the principle of Italy's renunciation of all claims in Morocco, as agreed in the Treaty of 1912 signed between M. Poincaré and Sig. Tittoni.—Reuter.

[Sig. Tittoni, President of the Senate, in a statement to the Press, declared that the claims of France in Tangier were never recognised by anyone, and that Tangier did not belong to the French zone or the Shereefian empire which is subject to the Franco-Italian agreement of 1916. He recalled the Notes exchanged between himself and M. Briand, wherein the French Government declared that despite the war nothing was altered in regard to the rights enjoyed by Italy by virtue of her adhesion to the Franco-German Convention of November 4, 1911. He claimed that this confirmed that Tangier was excluded from the zone of Morocco in regard to which French rights were recognised.]

## MAYOR CLIMBS DOWN.

CHICAGO BOOKS NOT TO BE BURNED.

MR. THOMPSON'S "RIGHTS."

Chicago, Yesterday. "I can ban the books, but won't," was Mayor Thompson's reply to the suit which will be filed in the form of a demurrer before the judge of the circuit courts in which he maintains that the Mayor is entitled to investigate any public institution and destroy the books of a library, which at the same time he declares he has no intention of doing.—Reuter's American Service.

[A Hamilton (Ontario) cable of October 25 reported:—In view of Mayor Thompson's threats to burn all pro-British books in Chicago's Municipal Library, Mr. Treleven, Mayor of Hamilton, telegraphed to Mayor Thompson: "If Chicago has no further use for the 7,000 volumes presented by Queen Victoria and the prominent English citizens after the fire in 1871, the city of Hamilton, Canada, will be glad to take over the books." A Chicago taxpayer, named Bohac, with three children attending school, has filed a suit to restrain the Mayor from executing his threat to burn the pro-British books "because they are public property, purchased by the proceeds of taxation, and if destroyed I will be deprived of their use and enjoyment."]

## REFORM OF LORDS.

GOVERNMENT CRITICIZED BY MARQUESS OF READING.

London, Oct. 19. At a meeting of the Cabinet held to-day, Ministers discussed the programme for the Autumn session of Parliament, which will open on November 8.

Consideration was given as to what should be discarded of the large volume of urgent business. Government anticipate disposing of several Bills before Christmas, the most notable of which will relate to films, the insurance, and unemployment.

Rumours of improving the Ministry by reconstructing it have died down since the recent Conservative Party Conference, which produced remarkably little Ministerial criticism.

Hitherto no indication has been given of Government's method of reforming the House of Lords.

This subject was the text of an address by the Marquis of Reading at the National Liberal Club.

The Marquis accused Government of advancing principles which give hereditary legislators permanent dominance.—"Times of Ceylon."

## BRITISH BOYS FOR AUSTRALIA.

Then boys, specially selected by the Young Australia League to be set up as farmers in Western Australia, left St. Pancras Station for Tilbury recently in the Australian boat train. They were drawn from various trades of all parts of the country and were the first of 50 boys who will go out in the next few months under the League's scheme. The ten boys will sail in the "Australian Commonwealth" liner, "Largs Bay." At Fremantle they will be adopted by the State, which will look after them until they reach manhood. In the same train was a party of 19 boys from the Clyde-side district, who were emigrating under the Queensland Scheme. They also will be set up on farms when they reach Australia.

## AFRICAN BILLS.

FLAG SETTLEMENT SPIRIT LACKING.

## CONTROVERSY IN SENATE.

Capetown, Yesterday.

The cordial atmosphere engendered by the flag settlement was notably lacking in connection with the Senate's discussion of the Precious Stones and Iron and Steel Bills.

The former emerged from the Committee Stage considerably amended in spite of the Government spokesman's refusal to accept the amendments, whilst as regards the second Bill the Senate carried a motion adverse to the Government by referring the Bill to a Select Committee.—Reuter.

[Reuter wired on October 18:—The momentous debate on the Flag Bill opened in the Assembly with General Hertzog moving resolutions, of which he had given notice, appropriating private members' time weekly as evidence of the Government's determination that the Flag Bill and also the contentious Iron and Steel Bill and the Precious Stones Bill will become law before the end of the year.

Anticipations of a stormy period illustrated by uncompromising participation, was displayed in all three bills, the most noteworthy being the Iron, Steel, and Diamond Bills which passed the Assembly last session but were rejected by the Senate. The first seeks to establish a South African Metal Industry under Government auspices; the second empowers Government to regulate the production of diamonds according to market conditions.]

## "MOTHER INDIA."

CRITICIZED BY NATIONAL CHRISTIAN COUNCIL.

Poona, Oct. 17.

A statement regarding Miss Katherine Mayo's book "Mother India," signed by Dr. MacNicol and Mr. P. O. Philip, Secretaries, and Miss A. B. Van Doren, an honorary officer, is issued in the name of the Executive of the National Christian Council of India, Burma and Ceylon, the only dissentient member being Bishop J. W. Robinson, "who does not find that he can assent to its terms."

The Lord Bishop of Calcutta and Metropolitan of India is the Chairman of the Council.

The statement emphatically repudiates the suggestion that the book was prompted in the interest of missionary propaganda. Though grave social evils existed in India, it was a matter of common knowledge that strenuous organized efforts were being made by Indian reformers to get rid of them.

The Christian Council, representing men and women in close touch with the people and conversant with their daily lives, unhesitatingly assert that the picture of the India emerging from Miss Mayo's book is untrue to the facts and unjust to the Indian peoples.

"Entirely untrue." "Sweeping generalisations are entirely untrue as a description of India as a whole," the statement adds.

"We can affirm that Indian life does not present the dark and evil aspect suggested by the book. The ugly, repulsive, disgusting aspects emphasised in the book are not predominant things in Indian society."

"Beauty, culture, kindness, charm, religion, and piety are to be found alike in the highest and humblest."

Proceeding, the statement adds, that if this unsympathetic recital of evils which are deep-seated enough, but not universal, as the book implies, leads to despair for any progress or to the embitterment of the relationship between Indians and Europeans, or to any weakening in the joint efforts being made for the betterment of the people of India, the result will be disastrous, both to India and the West.

"We have faith in India and in India's future," says the statement, "and we earnestly desire that East and West should co-operate to eradicate the evils in a spirit of love and understanding."

## RODE ON BUFFERS.

NOVACASTRIAN AND THE FLYING SCOTSMAN.

London, Oct. 19.

"It's jolly lucky that we are not holding an inquest," said the Alnwick magistrate, in finding a Novacastrian £1 for riding on the buffers of the "Flying Scotsman" in addition to 10s. for not paying his fare.

The defendant was detected by a signaller near Stamford, who saw him standing out on the buffers as the express flashed past. He reported the matter by telegraph and the train was pulled up in Northumberland.—"Times of Ceylon."

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The China Merchants S. N. Co. have received a telegram from Hankow to the effect that the steamer "Kiangwah" has been commandeered by the Red troops under Gen. Ho Chien.

The Amalgamated Association of Street Unions has sent a wire to the Nanking Nationalist Government advocating that drastic measures be adopted to stop the smuggling of inferior quality 20-cent pieces into Shanghai and that a circular to this effect be issued to the Customs of the Railway Authorities.

Australia's population is now more than 6,000,000, as compared with 2,250,000 in 1881. These figures have been given out by the Commonwealth statistician, who adds that since 1921 Australia's population has increased 10.81 per cent, as compared with an increase of 8.15 per cent, recorded by Canada in the same period.—Reuter.

A squad of Peking military police officers in civilian clothes suddenly made a descent on a house in which the elder brother of General Feng Yu-hsiang had been reported to be hiding, but the raiders, finding that he had already gone, withdrew from the house. It is said that General Feng's brother who escaped from the house is now hiding in the Liu-kuo-tien or Grand des Waggon Lits in the Legation Quarter.

In H. M. Police Court, Shanghai, the Magistrate (Mr. L. T. Morris) imposed a sentence of one month's imprisonment on Frank Moore, an unemployed engineer, who was found guilty of being drunk and disorderly in Hanbury Road. The defendant said that, after being out of work for a long time, he had prospects of employment, and that fact "elevated his mind too much." It was stated that he had been previously convicted.

Mr. Shinzo Hirani, of the Municipal Research Committee, Tokyo, who is in England inquiring into English ways of dealing with the housing problem, spent September 21 in Manchester and made an inspection of houses erected to meet the requirements of families displaced by the demolition of slum dwellings and also of insanitary areas where the work of demolition has already begun. Mr. Hirani's object is to collect information which will be of use to Japanese authorities in the rebuilding of areas devastated by earthquakes. He has already visited London, Edinburgh, and Glasgow, and from Manchester is to go to Liverpool and then Birmingham.

One case of enteric fever and one case of paratyphoid fever were reported yesterday. Both cases were Chinese.

Found unconscious in Connaught Road near the Mucuo wharf yesterday, a coolie was removed to the Government Civil Hospital.

Two houses at Mosque Junction, Nos. 23 and 27, were sold by auction at the China Auction Rooms yesterday. The upset price was \$15,000 and the Tsin On Fire Insurance Company became the purchasers at \$17,500.

Organised by the Ladies' Committee, of which Mrs. Macdonald is the President, Mrs. G. Mitchell the Hon. Secretary and Mrs. C. Pryce the Hon. Treasurer, a jumble sale took place in the Union Church Hall yesterday at which a good sum was raised for charitable purposes. The following ladies assisted at the stalls: Mrs. J. Hunter, Mrs. D. Muir, Mrs. G. Morrison, Mrs. J. White, Mrs. T. S. Whyte-Smith, Mrs. C. B. Brown, Mrs. B. D. Wilson, Mrs. J. Kirk Macdonald, Mrs. A. Cairns, Mrs. C. Pryce, and Mrs. J. Mitchell.

The national Y.M.C.A. headquarters in Calcutta has issued a statement in connection with the police raid for proscribed literature in the room at the Bombay branch occupied by an Englishman named Spratt (alleged to be a Communist). The statement says that Spratt, who had formerly been a member of the association, was given a room for a few days on the definite understanding that there was to be no writing or lecturing. It was then that the police made their raid. Immediately after that Spratt vacated his room at the secretary's request.—Reuter.

The house boy of No. 26, Humphreys Building, Kowloon, was yesterday charged before Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistracy with larceny of two pint and one half-pint bottles of milk from the back door of Mr. C. H. Ledra's house, No. 26, Nathan Road, and with causing bodily harm to the house cooling. The accused denied taking any milk from Mr. Ledra's house on the day mentioned on the charge (Wednesday), but admitted taking three bottles from the complainant's house one day last month. He also denied assaulting the coolie, who, according to the accused, fell down and struck his head on the kerbstone. The case was adjourned.

The rice harvest this autumn in the East River districts of Kwangtung looks well, and it is predicted that, after storage, even the finest grade rice may be had at less than nine dollars a picul.

Squads of the Municipal police, the French police, 100 Sikhs, 100 Chinese and a platoon of the Green Howards took part in the procession marking the funeral of Sikh P. C. 622, the policeman who lost his life in the shooting affray in Sinza district of Shanghai last week.

The Sino-Belgian commission held a meeting when the question of issuing bonds to the value of \$5,000,000 gold was brought up for discussion. It is believed that there will be no difficulty in connection with the plan, although the Belgian Government has not yet given its approval. The bonds will be on the Belgian share of the Boxer indemnity.

Longer working hours have been introduced at Kiangnan arsenal apparently as a result of the increased demand for munitions and supplies following the launching of the new drive against Hankow. From now on employees of the arsenal will work 11 hours per day but will receive overtime for the three hours additional to the original working day of 8 hours, it is reported.

A few days before the departure of the M.M.S. "D'Artagnan," the French Municipal Police discovered that an organised system of embarking Chinese on board the vessel was being carried out clandestinely, with the assistance of some of the crew. Six natives of Chekiang who thus were being embarked for Japan were apprehended and put under arrest after they were found hidden away in the coal bunkers. On inquiry it was learned that Tau Wou-tang, a member of the crew, had made the embarkation possible.

The Shanghai "Zarya" states that, on November 7, the U.S.S.R. will celebrate the tenth anniversary of the overthrow of the old regime in Russia and all Soviet subjects, wherever they are, will mark that day by special rejoicing. The Bolsheviks propose using this anniversary as a day of widespread advertisement for themselves, but the two million Russian emigrants, scattered over the face of the earth, states the paper, will look upon the day as one of national shame and sorrow. Russians in Shanghai, no matter where they are employed, or what they are doing at the time, are urged to observe one minute of silence when the noon-gun is fired.

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Besides China news, local events are fully covered in the "Overland." There are full accounts of the trial of the alleged pirates who were aboard the s.s. "Irene" when she was shelled by a British naval vessel, and there is a description of the execution of the murderers of the late Mrs. Mackay, who was done to death by two Chinese on the roadside. Hong Kong's sporting activities, particularly in regard to the coming triangular Interport cricket contests, are fully dealt with, together with all news of social and commercial importance.

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## SOCIAL AND PERSONAL NEWS.

Mr. W. A. Harpur, editor of the "Straits Echo," Penang, is confined to his bed with septic poisoning.

Mr. V. Arumugam, Station Superintendent, F.M.S.R. Kuala Lumpur, is retiring in December after nearly 35 years' service.

Sir Robert Ho Tung, who is now in Shanghai, will leave that city to-day for Hong Kong and it is expected that he will arrive here on Sunday.

The death has occurred suddenly at his home in Sussex, of Captain A. B. C. Francis, who was in the service of the North Borneo Company for 20 years.

Paris, Oct. 25.—Among the representatives of the sixty nations attending the celebrations in connection with the centenary of the famous scientist Marcelin Berthelot is the Chinese Consul-General.—Reuter.

Colonel Kozloff, who has already made important geographical and archaeological discoveries in Inner Asia, plans a new expedition to Mongolia, and will try to reach the sources of a stream he calls "Blue River," hitherto not reached. The expedition will be equipped for a stay of 18 months to two years.

The many friends of Mr. George Curzon, who now is with the Quaints Company, shortly to arrive in Shanghai, will be interested to learn of the birth of a daughter last week. His wife will be remembered as Miss Mavis French, one of the most capable of the talented company. Mrs. Curzon now is in South Africa, with her mother.

So many people left for Shanghai on Saturday per "Dairen Maru" that one was meeting old friends at every turn just before noon when bidding adieu aboard, says the "Taikung Times." Ernie Edgar was among those from the north. He is on his way to a family reunion in Switzerland. Mr. and Mrs. Block with Mr. von Stocken are on their way to Shanghai. The latter went home to Germany in July, according to report, to buy a winter coat, and now having returned a day or two ago is off again, this time to Shanghai only. Mr. and Mrs. James Robertson and daughter are on their way to London to spend a year or two near their son, who is in the Chartered Bank there, and Mr. and Mrs. Morton Smith and family are on their way home on leave. Then, too, a number of people went to bid adieu to Mr. and Mrs. H. Allison of Shanghai who have been visiting Tientsin.

Mr. A. J. Sturrock, has resigned the appointment of Federal Examiner in Malaya, F.M.S.

Mr. Bartlett has been confirmed in the appointment of Superintendent, Hill Gardens, Taiping.

The Asiatic Planters' Association of Malaya has invited Sir Hugh Clifford to be its guest at a tiffin which it is proposed to hold about the middle of November.



Theodore D. Robinson, Assistant Secretary of the U.S. Navy.

Members of the Y.M.C.A. entertained lady friends at the Salisbury Road building, Kowloon, last night when a most enjoyable time was spent. After dinner an enjoyable musical programme was provided, those contributing being Mrs. W. R. Fleming, Mr. McLeod, Surg.-Lieut. Bradford, R.N., Mr. Jack Grenham and Capt. H. Fogg, the latter leading in community singing.

Farewell was said by the Sergeant's Mess of the 12th Mechanical Transport Company of the Shanghai Defence Force to four of their non-commissioned comrades, at the mess on Balkal Road, the recipients of the complimentary dinner, which was followed by a smoking concert, being M.E.M. Wood, R.A.S.C., C.S.M. Jack Forbes, C.Q.M.S. T. Doherty and S. Sergeant Sid Seymour.



## SPORTS

## FOOTBALL.

## Notes on To-morrow's Games.

## SOME EXCITING MATCHES.

## All Kowloon F.C. Fixtures Postponed.

The full programme to-morrow according to the card is as follows:—

## First Division.

(Kick-off at 4.15 p.m.)

H.K. Club v. Scots Guards, Club ground.

K.O.S.B. v. Chinese Athletic, Sookumpoo.

R.A.F. v. Police, U.S. ground, Kowloon.

South China v. Queen's Regt., Happy Valley.

## Junior Division "A."

R.A. v. Raerelo, Sookumpoo.

H.K. Club v. K.O.S.B., Club ground.

South China "B" v. South China "A," Caroline Hill.

St. Joseph's v. University, St. Joseph's.

## Junior Division "B."

South China "A" v. Kwong Woo, Valley.

Chinese Athletic v. Moslems, King's Park.

South China "B" v. Boy Scouts, Caroline Hill.

Owing to the Volunteer Sports Kowloon A.F.C. have scratched all their matches for to-morrow and although this will be a keen disappointment to Soccer followers on the Peninsula side of the Harbour, Kowloon must console themselves with the knowledge that this rarely happens and very often there are three Senior matches taking place together at Kowloon. Spectators who do not wish to journey to Hong Kong will be well catered for at the Regimental Ground, Chatham Road, where the Hong Kong Police at full strength will engage the R.A.F. This should be well worth watching in spite of the fact that the R.A.F. have provided most of their opponents with full points. The Police, whom I expect to win, will not find the going easy. Many Kowloon spectators will remember the fine game that the R.A.F. set up against the present invincible Chinese Athletic at King's Park, when the Air Force in a very bright game under home conditions of weather fully extended the present League leaders.

Certainly at the Valley and Sookumpoo we have the choice of three rare good games.

The Chinese Athletic have at present a splendid record, the only team to have scored against them being the lowly placed Royal Air Force, and with wins over the Club, Police, R.G.A., South China, and R.A.F. command our respect, but if the K.O.S.B. do not score more than one on Saturday I shall really think that the Athletic are going to sweep the League.

The Athletic to-morrow will be at full strength, with two Kwei-shing back again at outside right, and against the Borderers' defence, selectors of the Hong Kong Inter-club team will be enabled, if they are present, to judge whether he has any superior at present in this position.

I say at present advisedly, because I do not think there is anyone to challenge his selection outside Taylor of the Club, who has not yet got into training, and C. Pile, of Kowloon, who can afford to wait for top honours.

McClintock, Alexander, Humphreys, and Anderson are not going to be beaten easily, and a great struggle is bound to ensue with very little dividing the teams at the finish.

The next game in order of importance is at the Club ground, where the Club, with a vast improved team, will meet the Scots Guards. The Club have Stewart back again, and Club supporters know what this means, whilst Taylor the old Inter-club and Club player may turn out on the right wing. The Scots Guards are the sort of team football spectators put their money on.

A fine built team with robust methods, who will join hard knocks and glory in them, they will find the Club team on Saturday worthy opponents. I would like to see an older friend of the Club than the Scots Guards to see the Club win, but I think, if a goal divides the Clubs, that the Guards will possess it, but they will have to go all out.

The Club, who started with a very weak side, are gathering strength, and with Taylor and Howard old favourites probably coming back into the side, also—rumour has it—a new red hot centre forward, it looks very probable that the present leaders of the League will not take points so easily from the Senior Club of the Colony in future, which is as things should be, and in the best interests of sport. The Club requires watching from now onwards.

The other game at the Valley should provide the Queen's Regiment with full points.

Although South China did splendidly against the K.O.S.B. at Sookumpoo last Saturday, I think that the Queen's are clever enough to surmount the difficulties of South China's playing ground, and win with a goal in hand. South China are without their clever inside right. He has come under the censure of the H.K.F.A. for an infringement of the rules of the League. This is to be regretted, as Fung Tai is a clever player and ought to be in the game. Woodwards, of the Queen's, is also at present not available for his Club, owing to a little difference of opinion as regards the ethics of the game, so we may consider each Club is equally handicapped.

It should be a fine game if the spectators can be kept off the touch line, with the military side on top.

The Juniors. Owing to the scratching of Kowloon games to-morrow the Junior Divisions are robbed of much of their interest, but at the Club ground the all conquering K.O.S.B. second eleven will be opposed by the Club's Reserves. The military side should win, as the Club Reserves are still without several well known players who will shortly get into training, when the side fielded each week should be a strong one.

A Charity Match. On Friday next a charity match of a very interesting nature, in support of Earl Haig's Poppy Fund, will take place at the Club ground where a Civilian XI will oppose a United Services XI. The Civilian team has already been published and is regarded as a possible Inter-club selection, allowing for the Service players who will make up the touring team to Shanghai.

Certainly the team selected consists of eleven clever players, but I do not think Hong Kong will be finally represented against Shanghai by more than five of the selected Civilian team. As this, however, is a matter of trial next Friday's game should be intensely interesting, is, if carefully selected, the Services can place in the field a very hot lot. The Selection Committee are to be commended for giving promising players a try out.

Rover.

RUGBY FOOTBALL.

## HOME COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP MATCHES.

London, Oct. 19.

The following are the results of matches played to-day:—

St. Bart's Hospital 0, Cambridge University 15.

North of Scotland 15, New South Wales 21 (at Aberdeen).

The following are the results of County Championship matches:—

Middlesex 11, Sussex 6 (at Richmond).

Eastern Counties 8, Kent 6 (at Ipswich).

North Midlands 16, East Midlands 15.

Northern Union.

In the second round of the Yorkshire Cup Hull Kingston beat Hunslet 13-2.

York 19, Leigh 7.

Dewsbury 15, Batley 5.

In the second round of the Lancashire Cup the following are the results:—

St. Helen's Rec. 7, Wigan 10.

Swinton 18, Oldham 9.

County Cup Results.

London, Oct. 20.

In the second round of the Yorkshire Cup, Hull drew with Castleford, 7 points each.

In a replay in the second round of the Lancashire Cup, Barrow lost to Salford by 2 points to 5.

BOXING.

## PHIL SCOTT TO MEET DANE.

New York, Yesterday.

Phil Scott, the British heavyweight champion, is quietly confident that he will win the first of the heavyweight eliminating series to decide Tunney's challenger when he meets the Dane, Knute Hansen in ten-rounds bout here to-morrow evening.

Scott, who is favourite at 7 to 5, is in fine condition. Reuter's American Service.

SCOTT'S FIGHT WITH BASQUE POSTPONED.

New York, Oct. 20.

The manager of Uzcudun has announced that he strained his back in training and will not be able to fight Phil Scott on November 4—

"Times of Ceylon."

[The fight between Scott and Paolino Uzcudun, the Basque "woodman," was one of a series of elimination contests arranged by Mr. Tex Rickard with a view to finding an opponent for Tunney, the world's heavy weight champion. If Scott, who is heavy weight champion of Great Britain, had defeated Paolino he would then have had to meet either Sharkey or Heeney. The action is of a rather nervous temperament, and the postponement will not do his chances any good.]

YACHTING.

## TREVESA TROPHY RACE ON WEDNESDAY.

The eighth semi-annual race for ship's lifeboats for the Trevesa Trophy will be sailed on Wednesday November 9, starting at 4 p.m.

## CRICKET.

## K.C.C. DEFEATS ARMY TEAM.

## LT. DYNES SHINES.

The Kowloon Cricket Club defeated the Royal Engineers and Signals yesterday at Kowloon by four wickets and 75 runs. Details:—

Kowloon C.C.

Capt. F. G. Bevis, b Horspool 10

Lieut. Dynes, b Goodyer 75

J. C. Collins, c Brown, b Horspool 0

Horspool 0

F. Edwards, c and b Dare 15

Capt. J. E. Drysdale, not out 50

Capt. E. W. Morris, c and b Dare 1

Dare 0

O. B. Raven, c Brown, b Dare 6

E. B. Morton, not out 28

Extras 0

Total (for 6 wks. dec.) 185

N. H. Ross, F. Fremaux and W. F. Waddington did not bat.

Bowling Analysis.

O. M. R. W.

Goodyer 9 0 44 1

Horspool 8 1 40 2

Dare 9 1 53 3

Waters 5 0 21 0

Jones 5 0 28 0

RE. and R.C. of Signals.

Sergt. A. C. Brown, b Capt. Morris 4

Sigm. W. G. Waters, st. Edwards, b Morris 8

Rev. J. P. Murray, st. Edwards, b Dynes 8

Sapper Borton, c Bevis, b Morris 18

Lieut. H. C. W. Edging, b Dynes 0

L/Cul. Goodyer, b Dynes 18

Sapper Horspool, c Edwards, b Dynes 23

Sergt. Pannett, c Raven, b Bevis 6

Sergt. Jones, c Edwards, b Bevis 1

Corpl. Pritchard, not out 0

Extras 18

Total 110

Bowling Analysis.

O. M. R. W.

Dynes 14 3 46 5

Morris 10 1 38 8

Bevis 3 1 8 2

TO-MORROW'S INTERPORT TRIAL.

The teams chosen for the Inter-club trial match on the H.K.C.C. ground to-morrow (Saturday) at 2 p.m. are:—

T. E. Pearce's XI—T. E. Pearce (captain), A. W. Hayward, W. Grace, Lieut. Hunt, A. W. Ramsay, G. R. Snyder, Lieut. Dale, Capt. Dobbie, C. D. Wales, Lieut. Mel-some, and Surg.-Comdr. Hull.

The Rest—Capt. Morris (captain), G. Goodwin, Lieut. Hankey, E. C. Fincher, E. B. Reed, A. Reid, Col. Barber, Capt. Thorp, Capt. Bridgeland, Lieut. Dynes, and H. V. Parker.

HONG KONG ELECTRIC R.C. v. R.A.F.

This friendly match will be played on the Electric Co.'s ground at King's Park to-morrow.

H.K. Electric Co.—H. F. Akehurst, do Roma, J. C. Dunbar, C. E. Gahan, W. B. Musket, G. G. Norrington, S. J. Stanesby, G. G. Thomson, and J. R. Way (captain).

Reserves: T. L. Foster and H. S. Jones.

FANLING HUNT.

INTERESTING PROGRAMME ISSUED.

PAPERCHASE ON SUNDAY.

Dr. Pierce Grove has sent out to subscribers a most interesting programme of the Hunt from now till December 4. The programme is as follows:—

Sunday, November 6: Paper Chase: Peter Potts' Bungalow, 10 a.m.

Friday, November 11: Hare and Hounds: Hunters' Arms, 2.30 p.m.

Sunday, November 13: Paper Hunt: Nov. Cup: Sheungshui Police Station, 10.45 a.m.

Saturday, November 19: Meet at Sheungshui Police Station, 2.30 p.m.

Sunday, November 20: Hare and Hounds: Lokmachau, 10 a.m.

Wednesday, November 23: Meet at Hunters' Arms, 2.30 p.m.

Saturday, November 26: H.K. Jockey Club Race Meeting, Happy Valley.

Sunday, November 27: Opening Meet at Mrs. R. J. Patterson's, 10.45 a.m.

Wednesday, November 30: Meet at Hunters' Arms, 2.30 p.m.

Saturday, December 3: Steeplechase Race Meeting, Kwant.

Sunday, December 4: Meet at the Stables, 10 a.m.

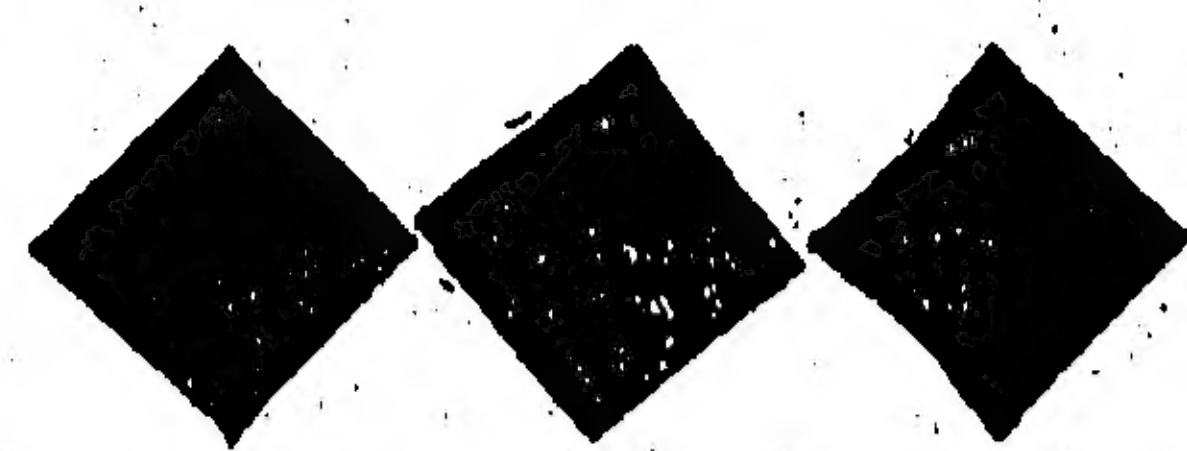
## GREYHOUNDS COMING.

## SHANGHAI LOT TO SAIL THIS MONTH.

London, Yesterday.

There are in training at Harrington 233 greyhounds. Some of them are for Cairo and some for Shanghai. They sail about November 14. Major Duncan Campbell will be general manager of the Shanghai track.—Reuter.

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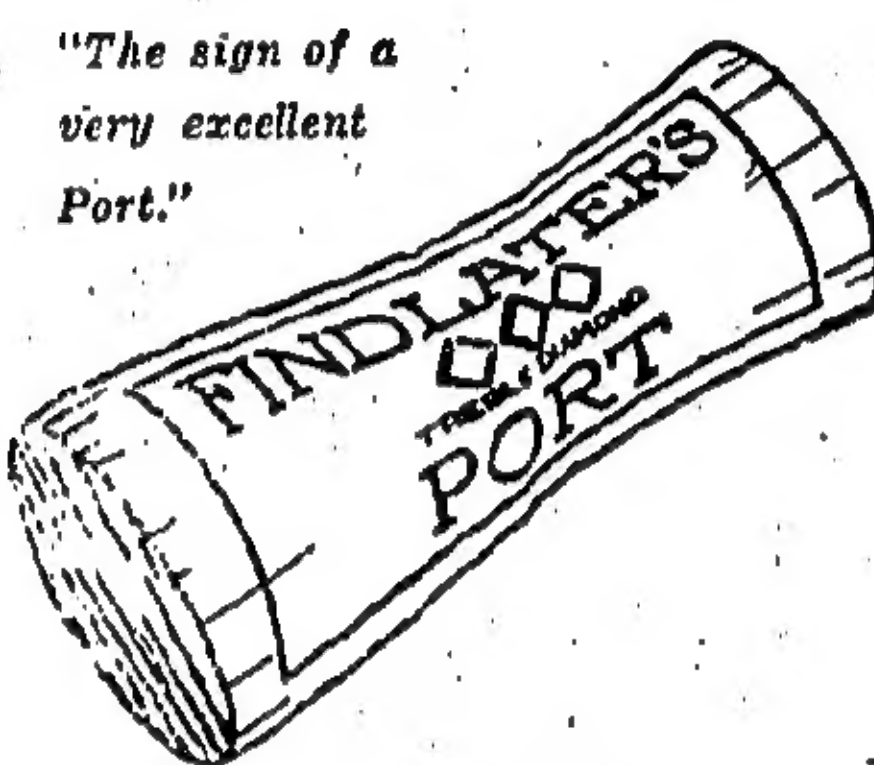
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## GOLF.

## SECOND ROUND U.S.A. RESULTS.

Dallas, Tex. Yesterday.

D. C. Wolfe.

1.136 a.m., Comdr. MacMahon.

Sir Horsford Kemp.

1.140 a.m., J. Cameron, J. Thompson.

1.144 a.m., A. C. I. Bowker, J. W. Alabaster.

1.148 a.m., E. J. Mahon, P. M. Anderson.

1.152 a.m., Stretfield, Procter.

Qualifying Round Of The Championship.

The following is the result of the draw and the starting times for the Jasper Clark Cup and the qualifying stages for the championship, to be played over the old course at Fanling on November 20:

9.25 a.m., Capt. F. G. le Gros v. A. D. Humphreys.

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9.55 a.m., I. H. Geare v. H. G. Sheldon.

10.00 a.m., K. S. Morrison v. A. O. Brown.

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10.50 a.m., J. W. Franks v. I. Newton.

10.55 a.m., A. Sommerfeldt v. R. Young.

11.00 a.m., C. C. Stark v. H. G. Hegarty.

11.05 a.m., Capt. Erskine v. Lt. Comdr. W. D. Brown.

Players who are unable to play are asked to communicate with the Secretary as soon as possible. In case of players dropping out old players lower in the list will be moved up to fill the vacancies.

Other Competitions.

This week-end there will be a Captain's Cup competition at Fanling, and on the following Sunday the annual match between the St. George's and St. Andrew's will be played. Entries for this match should be sent to Mr. T. E. D. Pendered or the Secretary of the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club.

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## MUSIC • DRAMA • FILMS.

## BAD LANGUAGE IN PLAYS.

## THE BISHOP OF LONDON'S PROTEST.

London, Oct. 17. Following the Bishop of London's protest, on behalf of the Public Morality Council, to the Lord Chamberlain, and the President of the Board of Film Censors against objectionable expressions in stage plays, the Daily News Dramatic Critics, Mr. E. A. Baughan, condemn the prevalence of coarse and unnecessary profanity. The Bishop has sent to the Lord Chamberlain specimens of language from twelve current plays. Mr. Baughan asserts that the majority of the public resent the coarse expressions and lurid oaths heard on the stage after the war. This is a minor matter compared with the laxity of thought and action in modern comedies.

He says the Box Office delightedly hails criticisms of immoral dialogue and action in plays, which the critics castigate, as these frequently make very popular successes. Official Censorship is a proved failure. The public should show their dislike of a deadly hiss would prove the strongest censor.

## NEW BRITISH V.C. FILM.

## FAMOUS DEEDS TO BE SHOWN.

London, Sept. 27. A new British film, upon which work is due to begin almost immediately, is entitled "For Valour," and will deal with the history of the Victoria Cross from the Crimean War, when it was instituted, to the end of the late war. Mr. C. E. Samuelson, a veteran British producer, will direct the film. A representative selection of deeds which won the V.C. is to be made.

Famous V.C.'s who will be impersonated include Lord Robert and his son, General Congreve and his son, Jack Cornwell, and Capt. W. L. Robinson.

Mr. Samuelson has just completed a film entitled "Motherland," which has a most unusual angle. It tells the story of three families—Jewish, Roman Catholic, and Protestant—of which meet in the trenches during the war. Miss Eva Moore and Mr. Rex Davis are the principal players.

Sir Ian Hamilton. General Sir Ian Hamilton, who was the British commander of the Gallipoli enterprise, has informed British Instructional Films, who are now completing preparations for a new film in which the campaign will figure prominently, that he will do everything in his power to assist them. It is also a possibility that he will make a personal appearance in the film.

This new film is entitled "Toll England," and is based upon Mr. Ernest Raymond's work of that name. It will be distributed in this country by Pro-Patria Films, Limited, a new all-British renting company, of which Mr. A. E. Bundy is the chairman.

## MANNERISMS.

The study of deportment is an all-important matter for the performer for either in private or public, an excessive movement of the body, head, arms or hands is objectionable. Pianists are the worst offenders, although some violinists, particularly when playing in an orchestra, hold the fiddle in a wrong and ungainly position. In playing pizzicato some have the instrument, others exaggerate by throwing the right hand 18 inches in the air.

The vocalist should assume a natural, easy manner and stature, and should convey to the audience by facial expression and general demeanour the mood of the song. The teacher, of course, should see to this, but an excellent plan is to practice before a mirror.

The extraordinary swaying of the body and throwing the hands about indulged in by some pianists is a sure impediment to technique, and certainly it is not exemplary. It distracts some of an audience, but appeals in a comic manner to the majority. Carefully observe Melba, Alda, Kreisler, Zimbalist, Criedmann, or Backhaus.

## "WAR HAWKS."

## HOLLYWOOD FILM TRAVESTY.

A new American film called "War Hawks," described as "an epic of the British flying forces during the great war," seems to have made British flying officers extremely angry.

They were invited, apparently, to attend a private view of this production and their letters describing what they saw, would fill several columns, writes the "Daily Express" cinema correspondent.

They give me long lists of technical inaccuracies in the film, which, since it was made in Hollywood, with the aviation resources available in California, could not possibly be a correct picture of the British flying service.

Complaints. Here are a few of the complaints made against the film on technical grounds:

A "flight sergeant" wearing the lower half of a Sam Browne is shown with a pipe in his mouth while on duty.

A mechanic, without a hat, salutes a major, who then invites the mechanic to take coffee with him.

A Royal Artillery officer, who also seems to control the movements of the squadron, is shown acting as telegraph operator, and is officially described as "Lieutenant at Desk."

A mechanic, imbued by revenge, takes to the air in a borrowed machine when his officer crashes.

Bombs are simply "flung over the side," and when a machine bursts into flame in mid-air, the flying man descends safely by parachute to his camp, where a sympathetic pup licks his hand.

A British officer is shown parading the streets of St. Omar "with two armfuls of French female" (a tribute this, says one correspondent, to the "traditional gaiety of the Royal Flying Corps").

The squadron is equipped, apparently with only five machines, most of them being of "the very old Curtiss-type school."

The only N.C.O. "spends most of his time in the officers' mess."

The mechanic, who chews gum, also acts as mess waiter and motor-cyclist.

The Hero. The enemy is one and only hanger, which looks like an airship shed, advertises its existence to the world by means of an enormous iron cross on the roof.

Nor is this all. The hero of this epic of British flying prowess during the war is an American, who "joins up" with the British force and, after a dashing courtship with a French village girl, in the fashion of "The Big Parade" and "What Price Glory?" distinguishes himself, before the admiring eyes of his British comrades, by bringing down "an obvious caricature of that great German air pilot, von Richthofen."

It seems to be an interesting film.

## PALLADIUM SOLD.

American \$400,000 Deal With Mr. Gulliver.

The Film Correspondent of the "Morning Post" understands that the sale of the Palladium, Oxford-circuit, by Mr. Charles Gulliver to an American film company has been concluded. The figure mentioned was \$400,000.

It is stated that Mr. Gulliver intends to build a new theatre for play production in Leicester-square, opposite the Empire. The only London theatre he now owns is the Holborn Empire, as he has recently disposed of all his other music-halls.

The important American film companies that do not already possess West End exploitation cinemas are Fox, First National, and United Artists. There were negotiations between First National and the Palladium owners some time ago, but these came to nothing. Fox have been reported as most active recently in seeking a West End theatre.

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"The London promenade audience, is something of which Britain should be proud," said Sir Henry Wood after the triumphant ending to the thirty-third season of Promenade Concerts at the Queen's Hall.

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"I think that the future of music in Britain is most hopeful."

## \$700 A WEEK.

## MISS EVELYN LAYE'S DEMAND FOR APPEARING IN U.S.

London, Sept. 24. Seven hundred pounds, or even \$725, a week is the huge salary which has been mentioned in negotiations to induce Miss Evelyn Laye to appear in New York. She was recently offered \$600 for her services, but the terms did not satisfy her.

Since then cablegrams have passed in which it was stipulated by her that she should receive a salary of \$700 or \$725 a week, free of American income-tax; that a part be found by the negotiating manager in one of his productions for Miss Laye's husband, Mr. Sonnie Hale, and that the usual course should be pursued of paying for their first class passage from England to America and back.

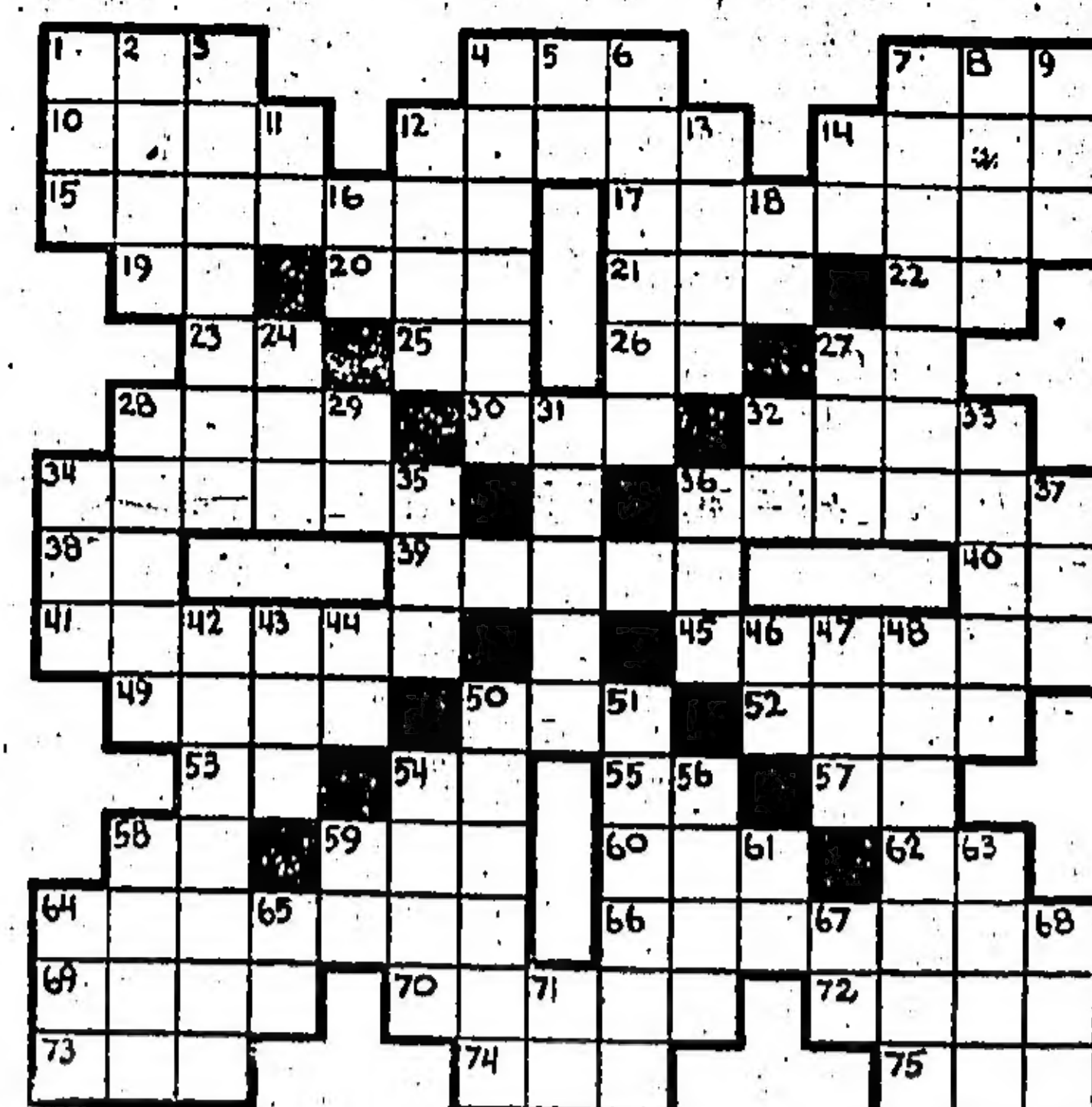
The manager who is trying to obtain Miss Laye's service is Mr. Florenz Ziegfeld, (of "The Follies" fame), and the piece in which he wishes her to play the leading part is the musical version of "The Three Musketeers."

If an agreement is reached on the basis of Miss Laye's terms her salary will be the biggest ever obtained by an English actress visiting New York for the first time.

During the past year Miss Gertrude Lawrence, the brilliant young actress who is now repeating at His Majesty's Theatre, London, her New York success in the musical comedy "Oh, Kay!" received from her American manager as much as \$850 a week during certain weeks of the run of the piece; but that figure, represented a certain salary and ten per cent. of the gross takings at the box office.

## DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



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## HORIZONTAL

- 1-In indebted for
- 4-A mischievous person
- 7-A vehicle
- 10-A Roman Emperor
- 12-An animal's nose
- 14-A covering
- 15-Getting
- 17-Fancied
- 19-Southern State (abbr.)
- 20-Also
- 21-Daughters of the American Revolution (abbr.)
- 22-Liquid measure (abbr.)
- 23-Negative answer
- 25-Weight (abbr.)
- 26-Suffix meaning "like"
- 27-Pronoun
- 28-A circling current of water
- 30-Pronoun
- 32-Honey-gathering insects
- 34-Not to be held
- 36-A bird
- 38-Point of the compass (abbr.)
- 39-A passageway
- 40-"Tut" in French
- 41-Make use of
- 42-Moved quickly from side to side
- 43-A period of time
- 45-Take attaches in
- 52-To retain
- 53-Erip in State (abbr.)

## HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

- 54-Act
- 55-Article
- 57-Explet
- 58-An exclamation
- 59-Court
- 60-Cooling device
- 62-On
- 64-A Spanish ship
- 65-Oligantio
- 68-A kind of singing voice
- 70-To revolt
- 72-Cunning
- 74-To free
- 75-Lair

## VERTICAL

- 1-A unit
- 2-Prosperity
- 3-Missions
- 4-Masses of cast metal
- 5-A period of time (abbr.)
- 6-A small pool of water
- 7-An associate
- 8-To encourage
- 9-A resting place
- 11-In reference to
- 12-Precipitation
- 13-A waiter
- 14-Royal Academy (abbr.)
- 16-Pronoun
- 17-Suffix denoting comparative degree
- 24-A poem

## VERTICAL (Cont.)

- 27-Possessive pronoun
- 28-Fea
- 29-You
- 31-Speed
- 32-Bachelor of Arts (abbr.)
- 33-Furnished with a sole
- 34-Employ
- 35-Negative answer
- 36-A seat in a church
- 37-Boy's name (familiar)
- 42-Consequence of transgression of law
- 43-Non-professional
- 44-Conjunction
- 45-Exclamation
- 47-A sailor
- 48-Gathered item by item
- 50-Earlier
- 51-Carried gently thru the air
- 52-An entrance
- 55-Iron spike
- 58-Corridor
- 59-Pronoun
- 61-New Testament (abbr.)
- 63-Part of an automobile
- 64-Used in an automobile
- 65-Behold
- 67-For instance
- 68-Occupying middle position (abbr.)
- 71-British India (abbr.)

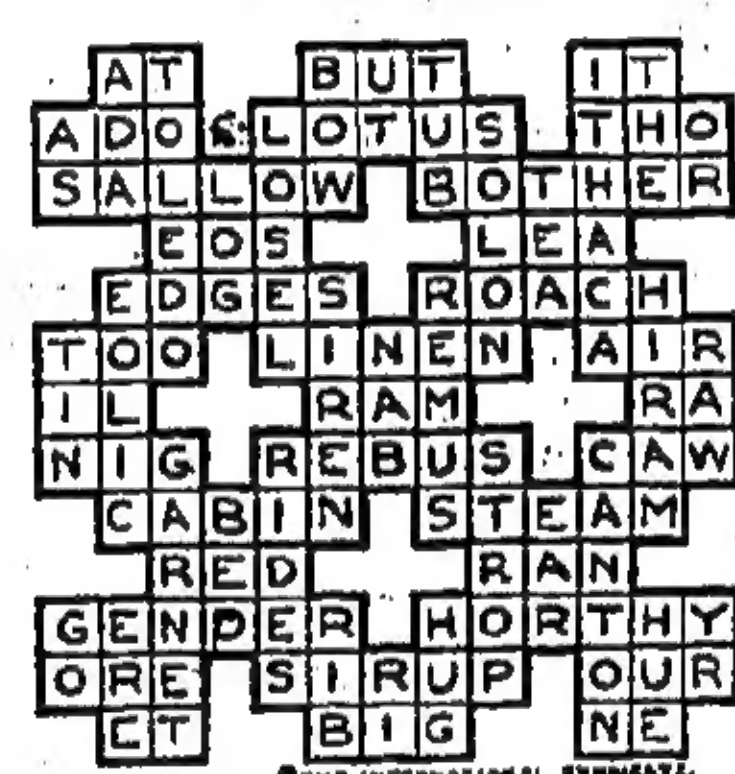
(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

## "THE GIRL FRIEND."

We've got to give it to the Americans that they sure can produce musical comedy, and extract what consolation we can from the reflection that William Mollison, the pick of the bunch, happens to be a Briton (says the "Sunday Graphic"). It is sheer production that is going to make this a big success, for the music isn't anything to cry uncere about, while the book is no better, if no worse, than the usual thing of its kind.

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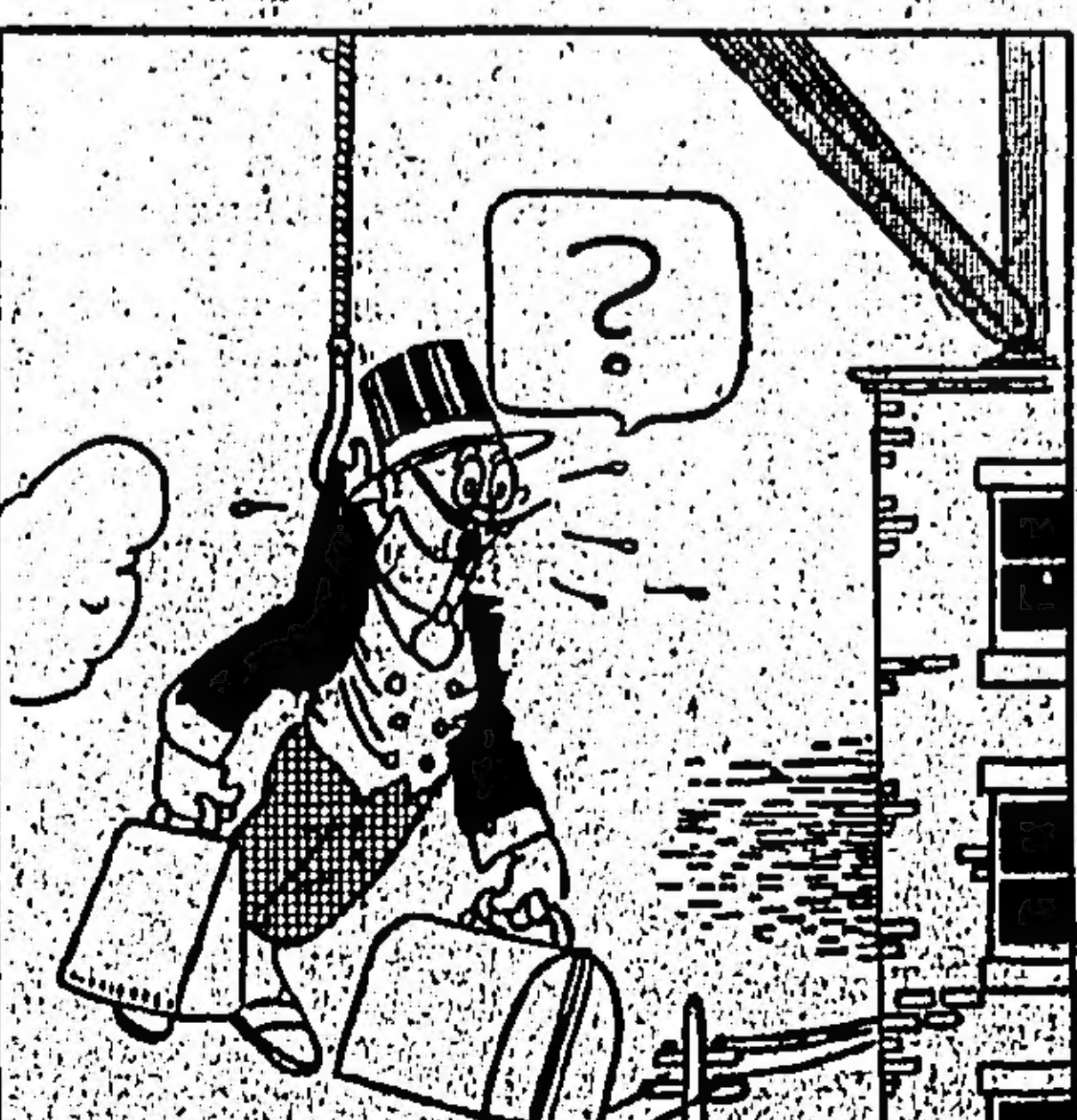
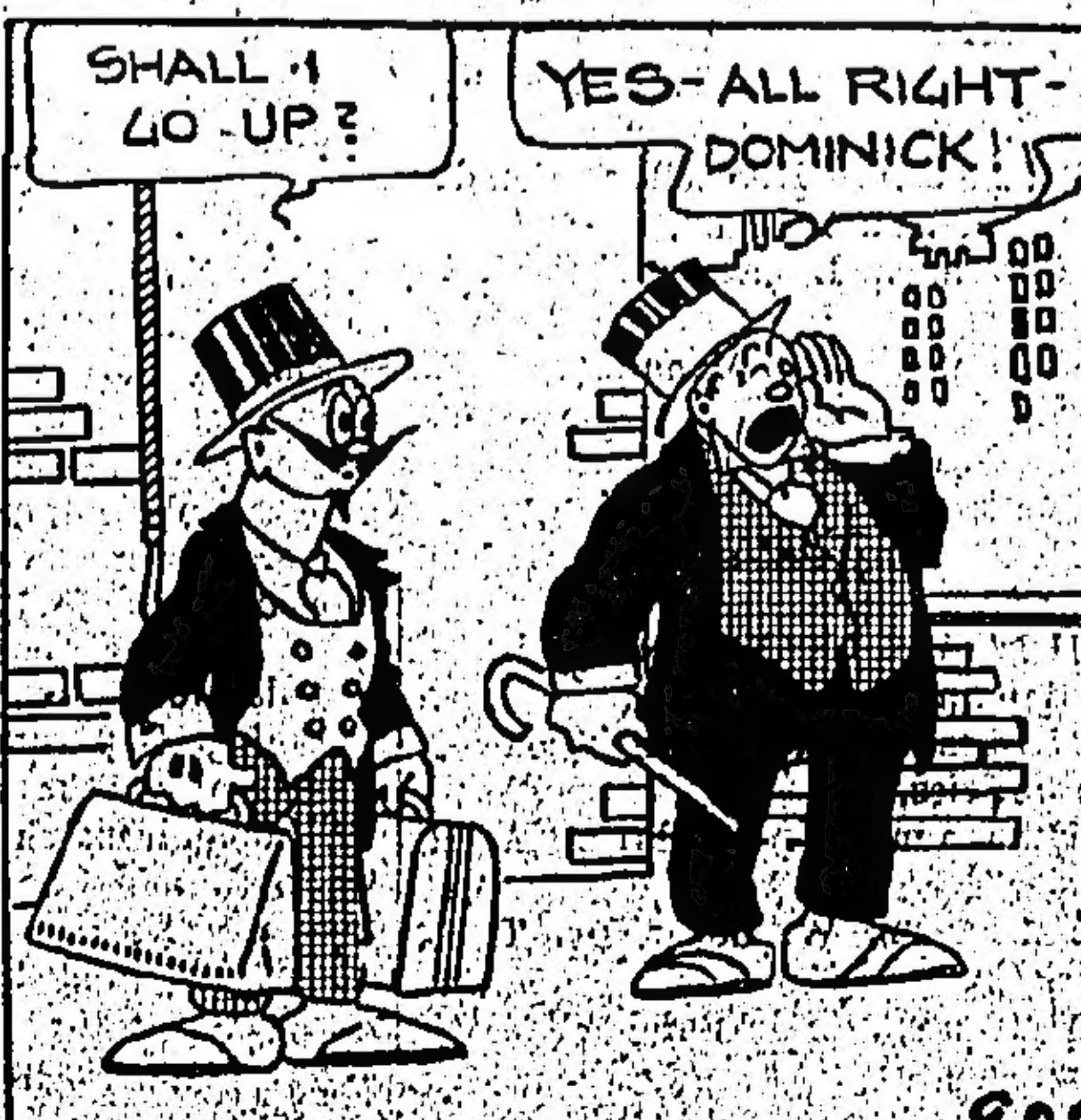
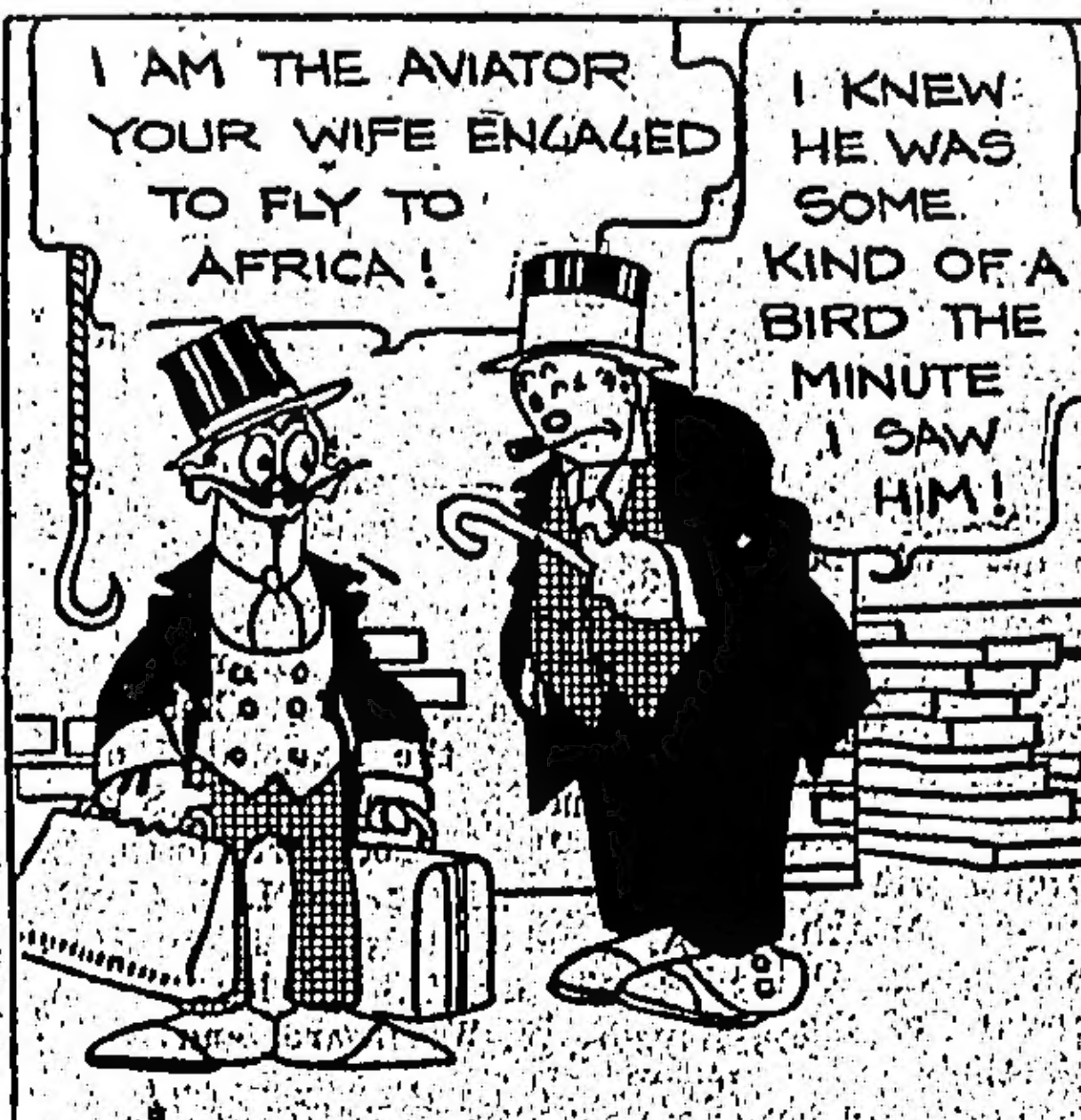
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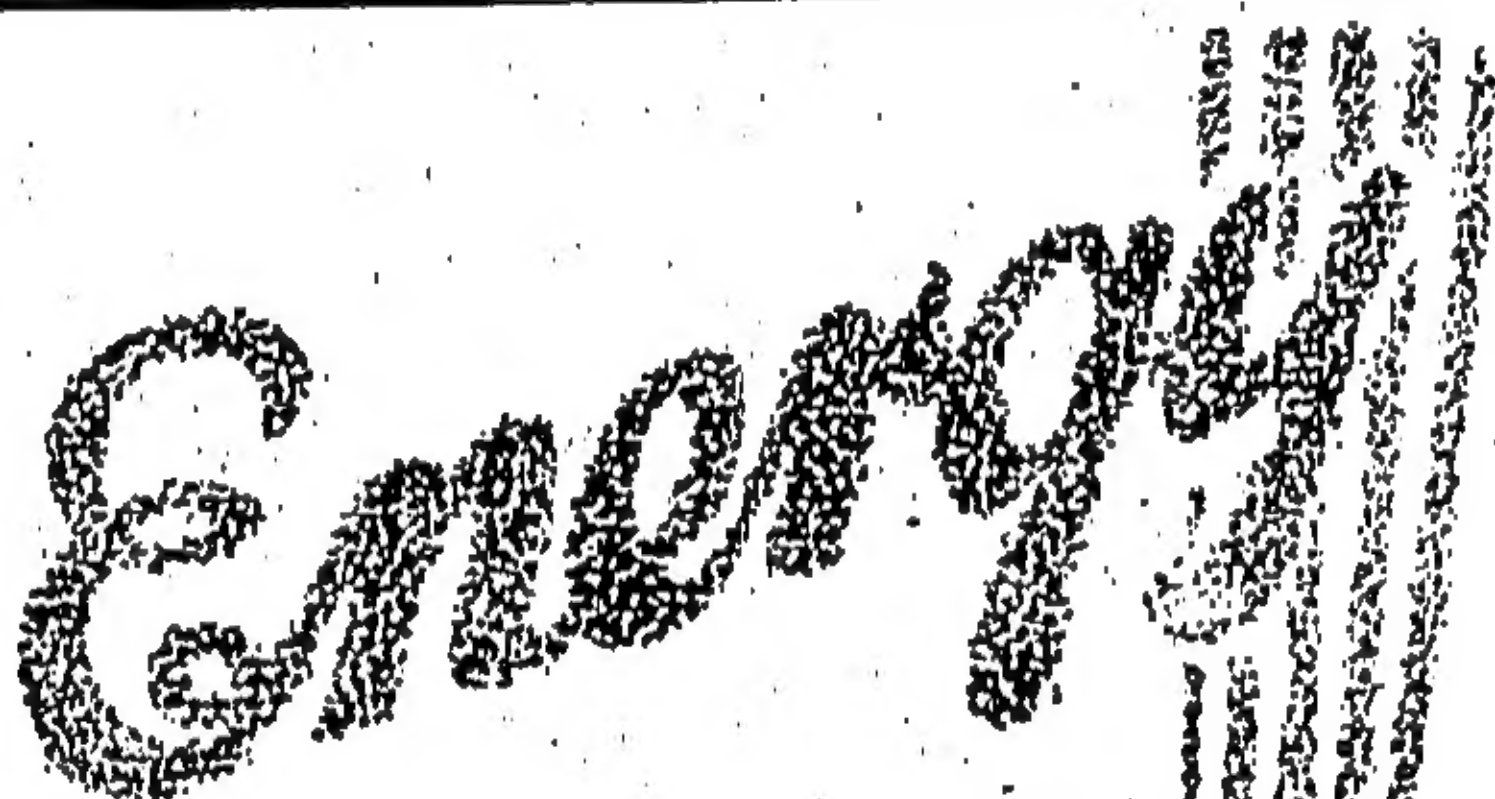
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## BROTHER MURDERED

SIKLOT ZEMINDARS' TERRIBLE MISTAKE.

Bombay, Oct. 20.  
Details of a murder which was committed under very extraordinary circumstances in the Siklot District, Punjab, have just come to light.

Three Zemindar brothers, it is stated, conspired to rob a merchant, who came to their well to drink water. Having received him with hospitality, they offered to accommodate him for the night and the unsuspecting merchant accepted the invitation.

Late at night, two of the three brothers began digging a grave in which to bury the merchant after they had murdered him, while the third went for some food.

The merchant had a strange premonition that he was in a safe and escaped by climbing a tree. When the third brother returned home, he found the bed empty, and, thinking that his brothers had finished their task, he lay on the bed to wait for them, and fell asleep.

When the brothers returned, they stealthily approached the bed, which, they supposed, was occupied by the merchant, and they murdered their own brother.

When they searched the clothes they were surprised to find only a rupee, and on looking more closely at the dead man, they were startled to find that they had killed their brother.

When the police arrived later, the merchant, who was still on the tree, jumped down and narrated the story to them.

Both brothers were arrested.

## 76 MILES PER HOUR.

BRITISH LOCOMOTIVE'S PERFORMANCE.

Baltimore, Oct. 18.  
The American railway officials travelling in the coaches behind the British Great Western locomotive, "King George V.," which was sent to the United States for the Baltimore-Ohio Railway Exhibition, were startled during the 290 miles test to see the speedometer register 76 miles per hour, yet the throttle was only three-quarters open.

They promptly ordered the driver to drop down to 60 miles per hour.

The officials afterwards remarked that it was the smoothest-running engine that they had ever known.—"Times of Ceylon."

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## REVOLVER IN COURT.

DIVERSION AT PETLURA MURDER TRIAL.

Paris, Oct. 19.  
A diversion was created at the trial of Schwartzbar by the accused's counsel, Maître Torres, standing on a chair and brandishing a revolver, to prove that Schwartzbar had not fired at General Petlura after he fell.

Subsequently, a number of General Petlura's ex-Generals and ex-Ministers testified that General Petlura strongly disapproved of programs.

[An earlier message stated:—Anti-Semitism is the chief issue in a cause celebre which was opened to-day in a crowded court at the Seine Assizes. A Russian-Jew, a naturalised Frenchman, Schwartzbar is charged with murdering General Simon Petlura, formerly Hetman, of the Ukraine, in a street in Paris, in May 1926, when he shot him down, remorselessly firing seven shots at him with an automatic revolver. Schwartzbar declared that he killed Petlura owing to his anti-Semitic atrocities. The prosecution contend that Petlura did his best to prevent programs and allege that Schwartzbar was a tool of Moscow. It is proposed to call a host of witnesses, including professor Einstein and Maxim Gorky. Russian, Yiddish and Ukrainian interpreters have been retained in view of the polyglot character of the witnesses.

Schwartzbar, replying to the President, who pointed out that it was said that Petlura was a friend of the Jews, declared that Petlura was as fond of Jews as Haman and Titus were—he sent them to Heaven. He ordered programs, then, like Pontius Pilate, washed his hands of them. It was mentioned that Schwartzbar won the Croix de Guerre while fighting in the French Foreign Legion during the War. The police testified that his conduct in Paris after the War was irreproachable. He was sentenced to four months' imprisonment in Vienna in 1908, as an anarchist. He denied that he had ever served in the Russian Army.]

## "AERIAL" ATTACK ON JAPAN.

VLADIVOSTOCK WIRELESS PROPAGANDA.

London, Oct. 21.  
According to the correspondent of the "Morning Post," the Bolsheviks have established a powerful broadcasting station at Vladivostock, whence propagandist messages are being sent to all parts of the Far East, so that no Japanese now can switch on his listening-in set without being exposed to instruction from Moscow, couched in the most fluent Japanese.

The authorities in Japan are puzzled as to how to deal with this "aerial" attack.—"Times of Ceylon."

## MUSTAPHA KEMAL.

"NO CONNECTION WITH RELIGION."

Constantinople, Oct. 20.  
In the Assembly, Mustapha Kemal Pasha, in a speech, declared that the new Turkey had no connection with religion.

The mention in the organic charter of the Mussalman religion as the religion of Turkey was rebuilt on a compromise with old wornout ideas, and it was destined soon to disappear.

Mustapha Kemal Pasha's speech was delivered at a congress of the People's Party at Angora and was the fourth instalment of an eight-day speech, which will be adopted as the official record of Turkish history.

All the foreign Ambassadors and diplomats are specially attending the congress.

Hitherto the Ghazi has covered the ground from the period prior to 1919, tracing the relations with the Nationalists in Anatolia and with the Grand Vizier, Damad Ferid Pasha.

Subsequently, he referred to the various Governments' alleged influence with the Sublime Porte, directed at the destruction of the Kemalist organisation.

Yesterday, he dealt with the separation of the Sultanate from the Khaliphate; the abolition of the Sultanate in 1922 and the flight of the last Sultan under British protection; and finally the abolition of the Khaliphate.

## N.-W. FRONTIER.

"FEARS AND SUSPICIONS IN INDIAN MIND."

London, Oct. 20.  
The "Daily News" in an editorial says that there can be no objection to the Minister for War, Sir Laming Worthington-Evans going to India in his private capacity, but there is no reason why he should do so in his public capacity, "for the Indian Army is definitely not under the control of the War Office but under the Raj."

"As it seems established that the Raj is not filled with enthusiasm at the prospect of his advent," states the paper, "that seems the most solid reason why he should not go in his public capacity as it is already evident that such a visit will give rise to all sorts of fears and suspicions in the Indian mind."



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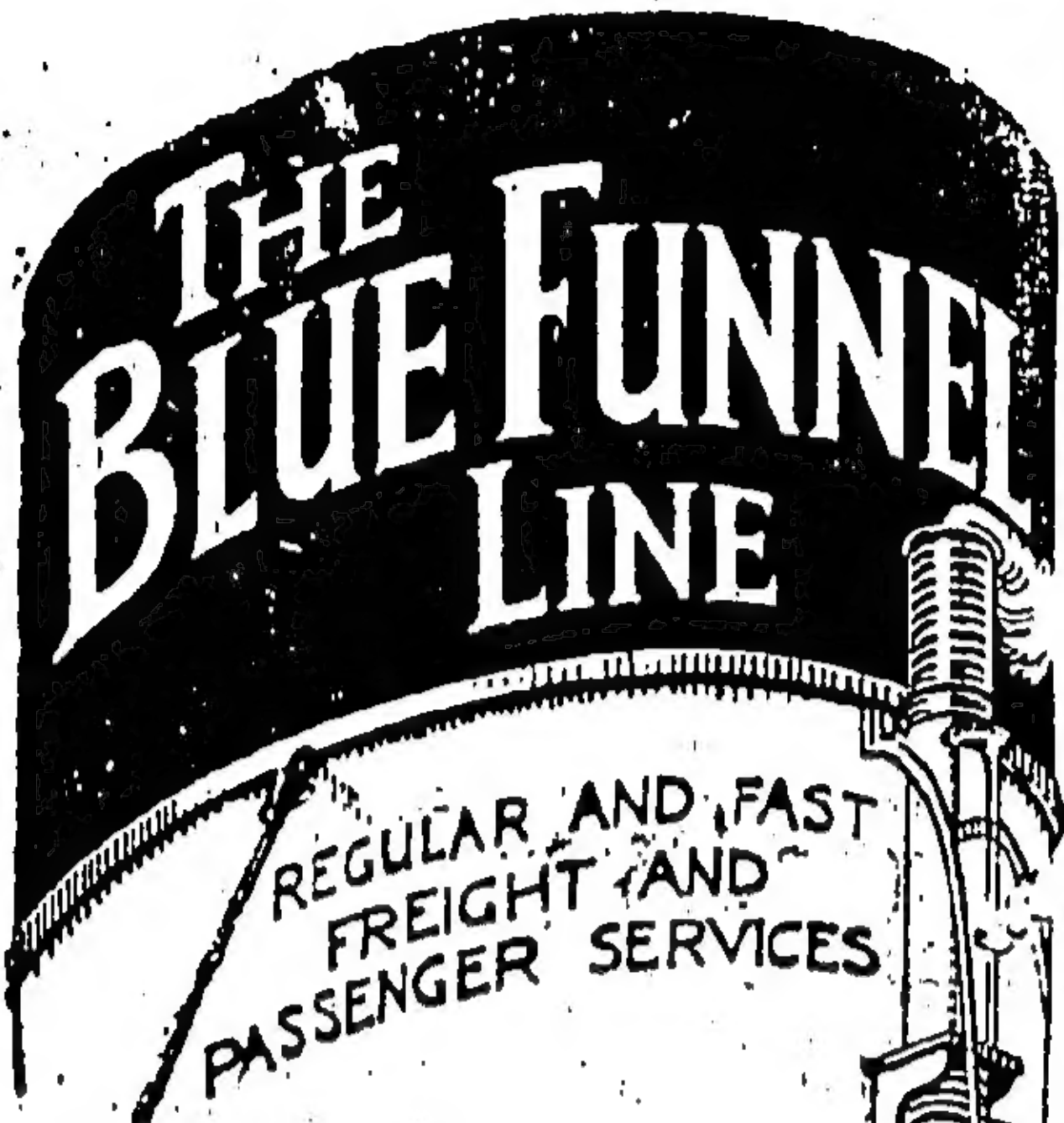
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| MONDAY, NOVEMBER 7                                  |                      |          |
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| U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan & Shanghai                  | Pres. Hayes.         |          |
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| TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8                                 |                      |          |
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| Straits   | Talma.               |          |
| WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 9                               |                      |          |
| Amoy & Swatow                                       | Van Hentze.          |          |
| FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 11                                 |                      |          |
| Japan & Shanghai                                    | Macedonia.           |          |
| SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 13                                 |                      |          |
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| For  | FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 4 | Per       |
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| SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 5   |                    |           |
| Saigon   | Hakone Maru        | 9 a.m.    |
| Amoy   | Halvard            | 5 p.m.    |
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| SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6   |                    |           |
| Bangkok via Swatow   | Demodocus          | 5 p.m.    |
| Swatow, Amoy & Formosa   | Kalgan Maru        | 8.30 a.m. |
| MONDAY, NOVEMBER 7   |                    |           |
| Sandakan   | Hozan Maru         | 9 a.m.    |
| Swatow   | Sui Sang           | 1.30 p.m. |
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## DAMMING THE NILE.

Report of American Concession.

### SCPTICISM IN LONDON.

Britain And Abyssinia Discussing The Proposition.

London, Yesterday. Well-informed circles in London are sceptical regarding the report in the "New York Times" to the effect that the White Engineering Corporation of New York is likely to obtain a concession from the Abyssinian Government to build a dam across the Blue Nile and thus control the water supplies of Egypt and the Sudan. On the contrary, it is believed that no such agreement is possible under the terms of the British-Abyssinian Treaty. Moreover the construction of a dam is being discussed by the British and Abyssinian Governments.—Reuter.

## NEW ANTISEPTIC.

SIR ALFRED MOND DESCRIBES DISCOVERY.

VALUE TO THE MEDICAL PROFESSION.

Rugby, Yesterday. Sir Alfred Mond, Chairman of the Imperial Industries, speaking in London to-day before an audience of chemists and doctors, made his



Sir A. Mond.

promised statement regarding the new antiseptic. The name "Mondol" has been given to it. Sir Alfred Mond said that an examination of some of the additional products derived from coal tar were found to possess characteristics which indicated their exceptional value for antiseptic purposes. They were for all practical purposes almost non-poisonous and non-irritant; and a new weapon in antiseptic armory, far superior to any yet possessed, had been put into the hands of doctors and the general public. Lieutenant-General Sir Arthur Sloggett, the well-known surgeon, said that the new antiseptic could be applied to the skin or throat. It could be swallowed, and it could be injected into blood; and in these four situations it was possible to attack three-quarters of the infective diseases known.—British Wireless Service.

## BRITAIN BLAMED.

CHARGES BY AMERICAN AMBASSADOR.

### UNDERMINING CONFIDENCE.

Washington, Yesterday. "Subtle influences" emanating from Britain, Russia and other countries are alleged to be working to undermine the confidence of South American countries in the United States, according to a report made by the Ambassador to Peru, Mr. Miles Poindester. When called in by President Coolidge, Mr. Poindester said that such propaganda took the form of criticisms of America's "Shylock ways" and also its attitude towards Philippine independence and its policy in China.—Reuter's American Service.

## FRENCH POLITICS.

Ex-President Millerand Reappears.

### A PARTY SPLIT.

Communist Deputies Released Released From Jail.

Paris, Yesterday. Parliament has embarked on a new session in which finance will occupy the bulk of attention. M. Poincare seeking to get the Budget definitely adopted before January 1. Interest in the Senate centres on the reappearance of ex-President Millerand, who was returned at a recent bye-election. He has decided to support the Republican Union to which he previously belonged.—Reuter.

A Split. Paris, Yesterday. The recent Congress of the Radical-Socialist party having proved it was indisposed to support the National Union, M. Franklin Bouillon, the prominent Radical Socialist leader, has left the Party and resigned the Presidency of the Chamber's Foreign Committee.—Havas.

Communist Deputies.

Paris, Yesterday. The Chamber, by 264 votes to 221 adopted a resolution demanding the temporary release of Cachin, Doriot, and other imprisoned Communist delegates to enable them to attend the sittings of Parliament.

In accordance with the Chamber's vote, Doriot, Cachin, Marty, and Duclos have been released from Sante prison.—Reuter.

## DIPLOMATIC CORPS.

GERMAN AMBASSADOR TO AMERICA.

Berlin, Yesterday. Dr. von Prittwitz and Gaffron, Counsellor to the Embassy at Rome is to be the German Ambassador to the United States in succession to the late Baron von Maltzan.—Reuter.

[A cable of September 23 reported:—A passenger aeroplane proceeding from Berlin to Munich crashed near Schleiz.

Besides Baron von Maltzan, Ambassador to the United States, the dead include a high railway official and Herr von Arnim, the traffic manager of the Lufthansa Aviation Company. Baron von Maltzan formerly occupied a diplomatic post at Petrograd and Peking, and was the originator of the Rapallo Treaty with the Soviet.]

## SINGER'S DIVORCE.

SOVIET DECREE FOR CHALIAPINE.

Moscow, Yesterday. The Peoples' Court has granted Chaliapin a decree of divorce, on the singer's terms, with a view to the mutual agreement of the parties to certain conditions.—Reuter.

[Reuter wired on October 30:—The Moscow Court has informed the wife of the well-known singer



Chaliapin

## FERRY DISASTER.

Heartrending Scenes In Sydney.

### SCHOOL CHILDREN ON BOARD.

Many Passengers Trapped In Cabin.

Sydney, Yesterday. The liner "Tahiti" and a harbour ferry steamer crowded with passengers have collided. The ferry was reduced to matchwood, and it is feared that there have been serious casualties. So far only four bodies have been recovered.—Reuter.

Sank in Three Minutes. Sydney, Later. The "Tahiti" struck the ferry amidships and the latter sank in three minutes in a cloud of steam, leaving about 150 persons including many school children, struggling in the water. Passing craft and boats from the shore rushed to the rescue. Nine bodies have up to now been recovered.

It is believed at present that 15 perished but it is feared many more may have been trapped in the cabins. Thirty have been taken to hospital.—Reuter.

## LORD CUSHENDUN.

NEW BRITISH PEER'S TITLE.

Rugby, Yesterday. Mr. Ronald McNeill, Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster, who has



Lord Cushendun.

been raised to the Peerage and who will speak for the Foreign Office in the House of Lords, will take the title of Lord Cushendun.—British Wireless Service.

## SOVIET & PERSIA.

NON-AGGRESSION PACT RATIFIED.

Moscow, Yesterday. The presidium of the Central Executive Committee has ratified the Russo-Persian guarantee pact and appended documents.

A message from Moscow dated October 1 stated: The pact binds the signatories to abstain from aggression and interference in the internal affairs of the other and to enter no political alliances, agreements or economic boycotts or blockades against the other.—Reuter.

## AMERICAN MARINES.

FIGHT WAH NICARAGUAN "LIBERALS."

Managua, Yesterday. A combined force of United States Marines and Nicaraguan "National Guard" claim to have caused 60 casualties among the followers of the Liberal general, Sandino, in an engagement yesterday. Two of the National Guard were killed and one United States marine wounded.—Reuter's American Service.

## SWISS FINANCES.

Berne, Oct. 26. The Swiss federal estimates for the 1928 budget foresee expenses of 831,000,000 Swiss francs and an income of 832,250,000, yielding a surplus of over nine million. The customs account for 215,000,000 and military expenses 85,000,000.

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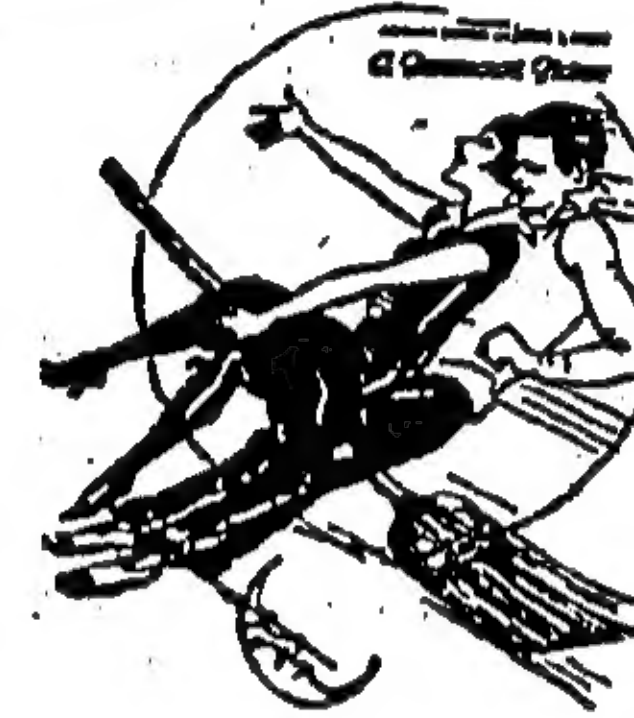
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